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Kowloon	...	Dep. 5.40	9.15	10.30	11.40	12.00	1.15	2.25	3.35	4.45	5.55	7.05	8.15	9.25
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Shatin	...	Dep. 7.02	9.34	10.51		12.19	1.34	2.44	3.54	5.04	6.14	7.24	8.34	9.44
Tai Po	...	Dep. 7.11	9.44	11.04		12.34	1.49	2.59	4.09	5.19	6.29	7.39	8.49	9.59
Tai Po Market	...	Dep. 7.21	9.53	11.08		12.38	1.53	3.03	4.13	5.23	6.33	7.43	8.53	10.03
Yanmat	...	Dep. 7.32	10.03	11.18		12.48	2.03	3.13	4.23	5.33	6.43	7.53	9.03	10.13
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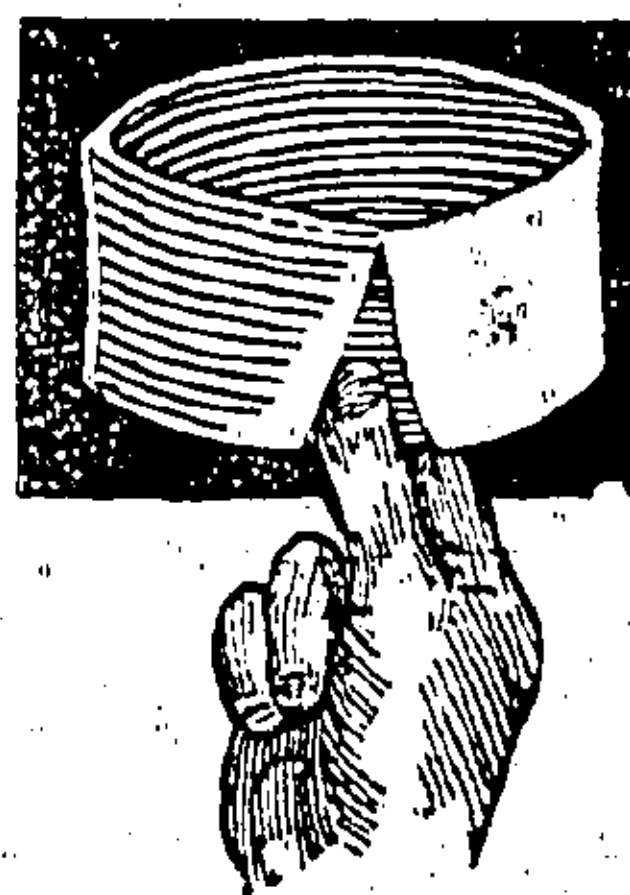
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HUMORISTS OF MY DAY.

W. S. GILBERT

As a young man W. S. Gilbert was one of the many well-known personalities of his time who was not successful in being elected at the Garrick Club when, his name first appeared in the Candidates Book. He told me in after years that he consented to be put up a second time as the Members of the Committee who had formerly busied themselves in rejecting him were unable to repeat the offence for the reason that they were too busy burning.

Gilbert's humorous sayings are numerous and famous throughout the world, but some that he has told me and which I have repeated to members of the Garrick and Beef Steak Clubs, are not, I think, known to the laughter lovers outside the barred doors of those Clubs, but wit will in or out, even if it be through the narrow opening of a key-hole or letter box.

George Boughton, R.A., the well-known painter of subject pictures, with an American sense of humour, was a great friend of Gilbert, and they delighted to cross swords in witty combat. It was the habit of Gilbert to send Boughton seats for his various first productions of the Gilbert and Sullivan Operas at the Savoy Theatre, and Boughton always wrote the next day to thank him for the treat of the former night and give his comments on the play.

THE RETORT DIRECT.

When Ruddy Gore was first performed, Boughton wrote the following letter: "My dear Gilbert—I like the play immensely, but not the title, why Ruddy Gore? Why not Bloody Gore?"

This was Gilbert's answer: "My dear Boughton—If I referred to your ruddy cheek, you might have felt complimented, but if I said it was like your b—y cheek, it would be true."

It often happened they met at the same houses in London as they had numerous friends in common. One night at a dinner party their hostess was disappointed at two of her lady guests having failed her. She knew of the intimacy existing between Gilbert and Boughton, and said to them, "I am so sorry that neither of your ladies have been able to come to-night, but never mind, my friends, you can take in each other." To which Boughton replied, "Oh dear, yes, anyone could take in Gilbert." "If you refer to the picture I bought of you last week," said Gilbert, "I quite agree." "Certainly," said Boughton, "I do mean that, as no one but you would have been such a fool as to buy it."

A few days before Gilbert was drowned, at the time he was leasing a house in Eaton-place, he, Sir Francis Burnand, the then Editor of *Punch*, and I were lunching together at the Garrick Club. Gilbert was eating some fish, and he said to me, "You and your wife never came to Grims Dyke as you promised to do last week end." I tried to make excuses for my forgetfulness, and blurted out that I thought he was in London at Eaton-place, to which Burnand immediately replied, "But he is in London eating plaice."

Gilbert's next question was less difficult to answer, "What is the make of your brother's car?" I told him it was a Rolls Royce. "Oh," he said, "I had a Rolls Royce and the dashed thing wouldn't go, so I wrote to the manager and said your car may Royce, but it won't Roll."

"ON THE BRIDGE."

I was staying for the week-end some time ago with Colonel Hugh Warrender and his sister, at their house, High Grove.

On the Saturday night they had a dinner party at which Gilbert and Lady Gilbert were present. After dinner there was the usual migration of bridge players to the card room, where, at one of the tables, Hugh's brother, the Admiral, took part. He had the virtue of remaining silent for long periods, especially when playing bridge. I remained in the drawing-room with the rest of the party, following in the wake of Gilbert in the hope that I might hear him at his best. I must confess his brilliant sallies that night followed in such quick succession that it was impossible to memorise them. Our laughter eventually ceased from sheer exhaustion, and during this pause I asked Hugh to see how his brother was doing in the next room. He returned shortly afterwards and told us that the Admiral had answered his question with a far away look, observing a complete silence. "Ah!" said Gilbert, "then he is on the bridge."

At one of the fancy dress balls that used to be given at the De la Rue's, at their beautiful house in Cadogan-square, Gilbert and I were early arrivals, and witnessed together in the reception-rooms the appearance of our friends in their various costumes on which we made comments.

Lindley Sambourne, the well-known artist on *Punch*, was announced. He was got up as a Dutchman, and looked the part to perfection, and with his round face and good natured expression we both agreed that he looked like one of his own *Punch* cartoons—a picture of fun. As he approached to greet us, Gilbert exclaimed, "One Dutch of Sambourne makes the whole world grin."

THE UNHAPPY BEEFEATER.

Gilbert had borrowed a beefeater's dress from the wardrobe of the Savoy Theatre, at which "The Yeoman of the Guard" had been produced, but it happened that our host had decided to put all his guests in that costume, with the result that poor Gilbert was constantly being mistaken for a waiter whenever he happened to be standing. This applied especially to the supper-room, where he received from hungry and thirsty revellers peremptory orders for more chicken and champagne. His only respite (Continued on next column.)

1926 SEASIDE GIRL.

BRIGHT COLOURS AND GAIETY.

STRENUOUS HOLIDAY-MAKER.

Many people who have been in the habit of seeking their holiday joys at Continental resorts have this year, been rather shamefacedly surprised to find that on their own English coasts there is now quite as much—if, indeed, not more—of that blended colour and gaiety as they had hitherto imagined to be the sole possession of their foreign haunts.

A correspondent, who has just returned from touring Devon and Cornwall, writes:

One of the chief factors in the brightening of this country's holiday places this year is the 1926 Seaside Girl.

Never has there been a more radiant Spirit of Holiday—nor one so dazlingly dressed and so exuberantly determined to dazzle. On the promenade she is a bewitching figure of fashion, and on the beach and in the sea she loses not a jot of her colourful smartness.

Gone, for the most part, is that old careless "shuffling along" the parade with bare feet in "silt" shoes and the nondescript rough-and-ready sort of holiday dress; this year's Seaside Girl gives as much care and thought to her appearance as she does when she lives in the work-a-day world.

Bathing Costumes.

Travelling along the Devon and Cornish coasts recently I often came upon beaches which, seen from the height of cliffs, looked like great gardens all ablaze with the rich hues of a thousand different exotic flowers.

The flowers were a multiplicity of the Seaside Girl in the daintiest and most vividly-coloured bathing costumes I had ever seen.

Very cleverly, too, the colour-effects were greatly enhanced by a general use of quasi-oriental head-wraps of gorgeous designs and the gayest of sunshades. But the Seaside Girl of 1926 is not merely a spectacle—she is the most strenuous holiday-maker in the world. She is up and bathing long before breakfast-time—and when the sea is still just a little too "fresh" for her men friends.

After breakfast she invariably goes, walking or golfing—and gets in another bathe before luncheon.

She whirls away the afternoon on the lawn-tennis court, and in the evening she will dance her male partners tired—and then go for a walk before going to bed.

And all the time she is making other people's holidays infinitely brighter and more jolly affairs than they might otherwise be.

From this annoyance was to remain seated at the supper table, but when a beautiful lady friend appeared, his instinctive admiration and gallantry for the sex compelled him to resign the seat and stand by her side, with the result that he was again mistaken for a waiter and ordered about in her presence too. His position became intolerable, so that his only alternative was to make a speedy retirement, which he proceeded to do inflamed with hate, anger and guile.

These passions always brought out the best in Gilbert, which was admirably exemplified in his well-known retort, made in the hall when a pompous guest said to him in superior tones, "Call me a cab." "You are a four-wheeler," said Gilbert. "What do you mean, sir," shouted the outraged guest. "Well," replied Gilbert, "I certainly could not call you handsome."

When I asked Gilbert how the building of his Garrick Theatre was progressing, he replied that in digging the foundations they had come upon a stream of water, so that now he was hesitating whether to continue building the theatre or let the fishing.—N. FORBES in *Morning Post*.

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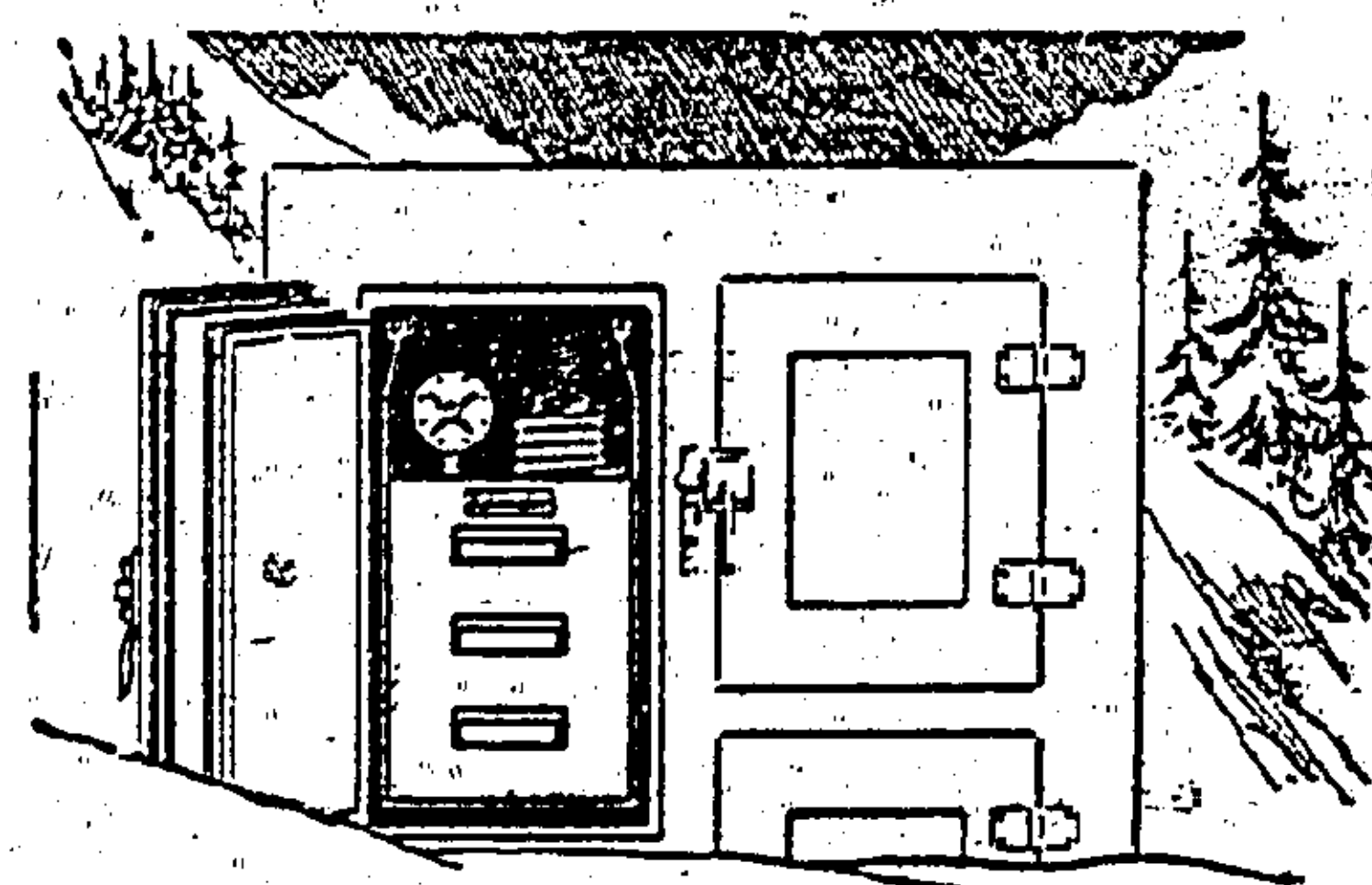
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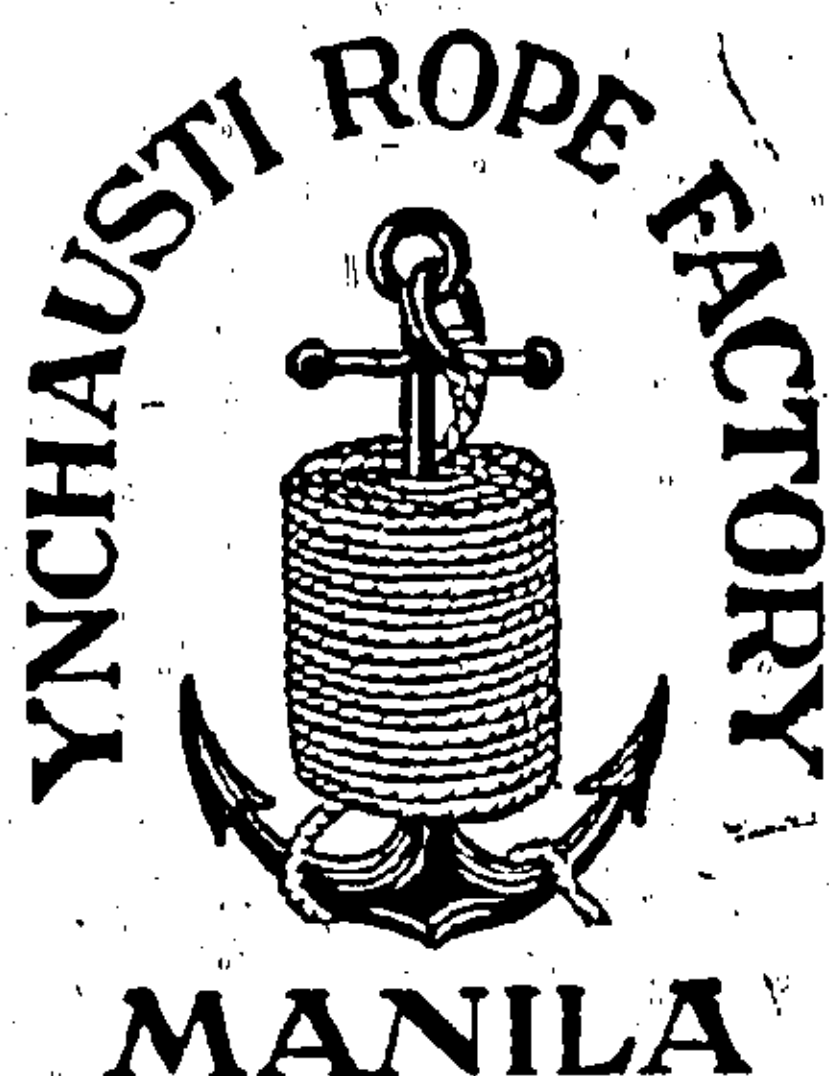
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THE LOSS OF SUBMARINE H.29.

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FULLER DETAILS.

Home papers to hand give fuller details of the sinking of the Submarine H.29 in Devonport dockyard which was briefly reported by cable on August 6th.

The submarine, which was in Devonport basin undergoing refit, sank within two minutes and five men, who were unable to get clear in time were drowned.

A Sudden Tilt.

The submarine, which belonged to the 3rd Flotilla, was moored in No. 2 basin, her port side being against the wall.

She had just returned from exercise in the basin and all her hatches were open. A number of men were seen to rush up the gangway from the ship just after 9 o'clock when suddenly she tilted at an acute angle. She turned over and the water rushing in through the open hatches the ship sank at once.

"I was standing about 50 yards away," said a dockyard official to a Daily Mail reporter, when H.29 suddenly heeled over to starboard, lay right over on her beam ends, and sank within two minutes.

"I saw a number of men swimming in the water and boats went out and brought them ashore."

A sub-lieutenant was in an unconscious condition when he was rescued and artificial respiration had to be used for 45 minutes before he recovered sufficiently to be taken to hospital.

The last man, a sailor, to leave the vessel was seen struggling through the conning tower. Five of his comrades who had got ashore jumped back into the sea to help him.

Within a few minutes of the mishap officials of the port were present. The Commander-in-Chief, Sir Richard Phillimore, at once took control of the rescue and salvage operations.

Orders were given for the basin to be emptied.

A workman who was aboard the submarine, stated that he was told by a naval officer to get out of the ship and tell his comrades to do so as the vessel was sinking.

Workmen Assist in the Rescues.

The mishap occurred soon after the resumption of work after dinner.

Dockyard employees had just started their usual tasks when an alarm was raised that H.29 was sinking.

Large crowds of workmen immediately ran to the quayside of No. 2 Basin and tried to rescue some of their comrades. Two or three of the dockyard workmen on board released themselves from the submarine and dived overboard. Within a few minutes these men were got ashore and removed to a surgery.

"Something Wrong."

Another dockyardman said:

"We had been out on trials and were alongside the wharf commencing to fill. Suddenly an officer walked quietly towards us and in a matter-of-fact tone announced that there was 'something wrong.'"

"He told us not to panic but to get out as quickly and as calmly as possible."

"Most of us then walked over the gangway on to the wharf, but a number of men were thrown into the basin through the submarine tilting. They had been unable to get ashore."

A workman who was in the forward part of the ship said an officer came to them and said, "For God's sake clear off the boat at once. There is something wrong aft, but we do not know what it is." The men ran off the ship along the gangway.

"When five of the sailors got ashore," he added, "they found that one of their comrades had been ejected from the conning tower by the rush of water into the ship."

"He was in danger of drowning, but the five sailors dived together into the water and rescued him."

The H Class.

The H class originally consisted of 22 submarines, and built between 1917 and 1920 under the War Emergency programme. The H.29 was built by Vickers in 1919.

They are all of the single-hulled American-Holland type, modified by the Admiralty from the first boats of the class which came from Canada under their own power in 1916. Their displacement is from 440 to 500 tons, and their length 170 feet. Their armament consists of four 21-inch bow tubes. They do not carry guns.

They have a surface speed of 13 knots, and can travel at 10.5 knots when submerged. They carry a crew of 22, and are said to have a reputation of being the fastest divers and the safest boats in the service.

THREE COURTS MARTIAL TO BE HELD.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

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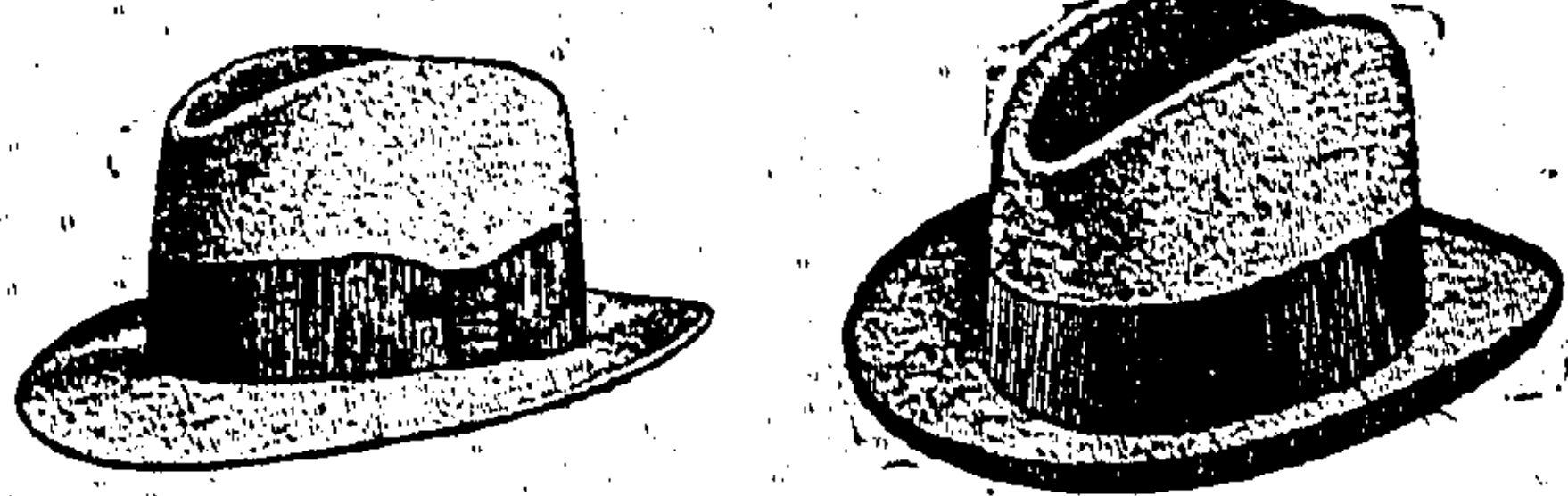
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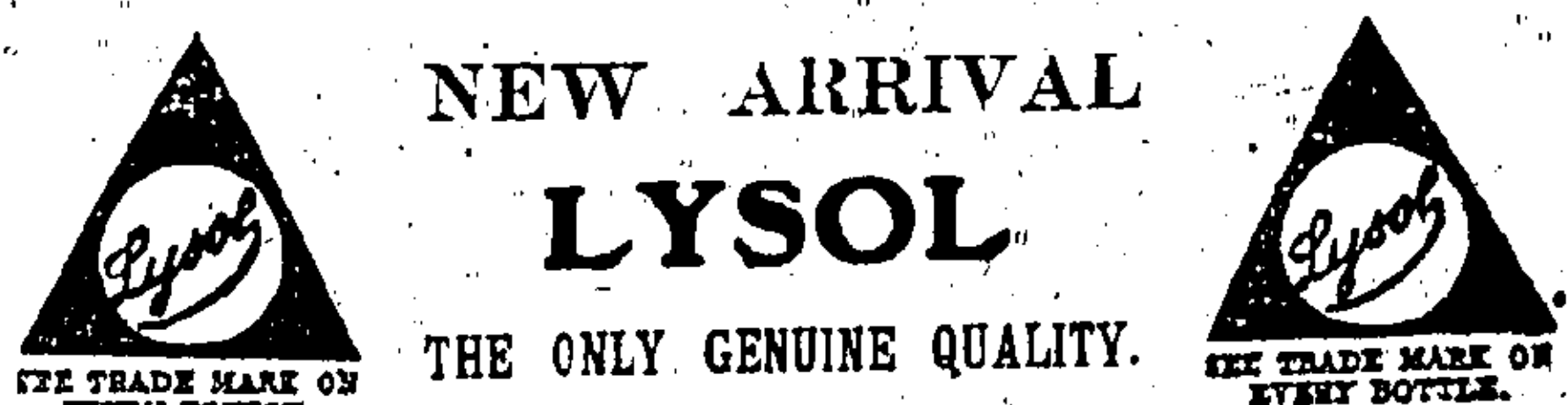
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SEQUEL TO KOWLOON TONG DISTURBANCE.

Alleging that they had been wrongfully arrested and detained in the Kowloon City Police Station, six coolies, employed at Kowloon Tong, jointly claimed \$1,000, at the Summary Court yesterday, from Mr. A. E. Murphy, of the Kowloon Tong Development Company, at whose instigation they were arrested. Mr. D. McCallum appeared for the plaintiffs and Mr. R. A. Wadeson represented Mr. Murphy.

In outlining his case Mr. McCallum said that as one of the six coolies was proceeding from work at 5 p.m. on July 27th, carrying some cement bags, the property of his employers, the Tung Lee Company, he was stopped by an Indian watchman employed by the Kowloon Tong Development Company and accused of stealing the bags.

The coolie was then taken to the house of Mr. Murphy at 47, Kowloon Tong, and Mr. Murphy ordered his detention. The Tung Lee Company had a contract with the Government for levelling ground at Kowloon Tong. Mr. Murphy was employed by the Kowloon Tong Development Company which had nothing whatsoever to do with the Tung Lee.

A PROTEST.

Certain of the fellow workmen of the man who was detained by Mr. Murphy went to the house to enquire into the cause of his detention and to protest. They also, it was alleged, had been detained and abused.

Later, the police went to the scene, presumably on information lodged by Mr. Murphy; the men were handcuffed, some what roughly handled, a revolver pointed at them and marched through the streets. It was not until eight o'clock that they were released on the order of the police.

Subsequently, a letter was written to Mr. Murphy on behalf of the plaintiffs (by Messrs. D. Almada and Mason) in which it was stated that the men were acting only in the course of their employment, that Mr. Murphy had obtained a revolver from his wife and, pointing at one of the men, had roughly pushed him towards his (Mr. Murphy's) office, at the same time directing the Indian watchmen to take the others to the same place. This, stated the letter, the watchmen had done, "covering the workmen with their rifles in the meantime. After investigation of the charge the police had ordered their release. The letter concluded that it was difficult to understand such conduct and intimated that unless redress was made proceedings would be instituted. To this letter there had been no reply.

POLICE EVIDENCE.

Inspector Stimson, in charge of Kowloon City Police Station, said that it was shortly after 5 p.m. on the day in question that he got to the charge room. The six plaintiffs were there in the dock in charge of Indian watchmen. Mr. Murphy was not there and witness had difficulty in understanding what the charge against the men was. Some cement bags were produced which the plaintiffs were alleged to have stolen.

In reply to questions, Inspector Stimson said that the sergeant interpreter was in charge of the station during witness's absence and it would have been he who ordered them to be placed in the dock. So far as witness knew the men were not handcuffed when he saw them but it was the practice to take handcuffs off when placing people in the dock. Witness made an entry in the charge book.

Asked why he had done this if no charge had been formulated against the men, witness replied that he gathered from replies to questions put through interpreters that the men were charged with the theft of the bags.

Mr. Wadeson put it to Inspector Stimson that it was in consequence of a telephone message from Mr. House, of the P.W.D. and an interview with the manager of the Tung Lee that the men had been released and that it had been put to the police that it would be very impolitic not to release them as otherwise there might be a strike of all the men working on the Government rubbish. Inspector Stimson said that the men had been released as there was no charge against them.

THREATENED WITH REVOLVER.

The coolie, who was first detained said that on the evening of July 27th whilst carrying some cement bags, he was stopped by two Indian guards who pointed their rifles at him and arrested him. They took him to Mr. Murphy's house, and later Mr. Murphy appeared. On being told something by the guards, Mr. Murphy went out, and returned with a revolver in his possession and pointed it at witness's head. Witness was then taken to an office, where the cement bags were examined. Five other workmen up and protested against the detention of witness. They were also detained. Mr. Murphy went off in a motor car and returned with some Chinese policemen. Witness and his fellow-workmen were then handcuffed and taken to the Kowloon City Police Station.

Cross-examined by Mr. Wadeson, witness said he had a chit authorising him to take the bags. He gave to Mr. Murphy, but he threw it away.

The other five coolies gave corroborative evidence.

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BATTLE BETWEEN LOCAL BOAT AND ARMED LAUNCH.

JUNK'S CREW REFUSE TO YIELD AND WIN.

The pluck of the master and crew of a local trading junk, who refused to be intimidated and yield to a band of pickets who attacked them in an armed launch, is revealed in the story which has been brought to Hongkong by the master of the junk concerned. He relates how he and his crew returned the pickets' fire from their armament on board the junk, and eventually drove the marauders off after a pitched battle.

According to the master's story, his junk, *Sze Leung*, No. H2739, left Hongkong on August 25th for Mau Chau, in the Po On district, with a cargo of Cantonese coal dust, 125 cases of kerosene, etc. At 9 a.m. on the 29th the junk was sailing off Shek Wan Bay, when a black-painted steam launch, flying the pickets' flag, came toward the junk from the direction of Ma Wan. The launch was blowing her whistle, calling on the junk to stop, but the master refused to do so, and the next thing that happened was that the pickets opened fire from their launch. It must have been much to their surprise when they found that they had no easy quarry to deal with, for the master and his crew determined not to yield to them, and accordingly replied to the fire with the arms on board the junk. After a battle, which lasted about an hour, the pickets launch left in the direction of Bocca's Tigris.

Returning to Hongkong, the master of the junk has made his report, and has applied for a re-issue of ammunition to replace those he used in the defence of his junk.

Another Picket Incident.

Another picket incident is also reported by the master of the *Man Tai*, trading junk, No. T1092H who states that he was attacked by a green-painted steam launch *Tau Sang*, while his junk was lying at anchor off Shek Wan Bay on the morning of August 11th. About fifteen armed pickets boarded his junk and said they were searching for smugglers. They stole one cannon, one rifle, 3 muskets, and a quantity of ammunition, and also made off with some clothing and money.

A QUEER DEFENCE.

HUSBAND AND WIFE AT VARIANCE.

A singular defence was put forward by a Chinese, when he was charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy yesterday with causing grievous bodily injuries to his wife. He denied the assault, but stated that he had a bamboo pole in his hand.

His Worship: "And the bamboo pole happened to fall on her head?"

Defendant readily agreed to this suggestion.

Divisional Inspector Blackman in a statement said that the woman was apparently the defendant's wife, and they had had a dispute about something. It was alleged by the woman that she was attacked with a hatchet, but witness thought this was hardly consistent with her wounds.

Defendant was fined \$3 and bound over to keep the peace.

In leaving Court the woman informed the Magistrate that she had been threatened with death since defendant's arrest. She was assured of protection by the police.

CASE TO ANSWER.

When the case for the plaintiffs closed, Mr. Wadeson submitted that he had on the evidence before the Court no case to answer. He also quoted authorities.

Mr. Justice Wood asked if the Indian guards were under the control of the defendant.

Mr. Wadeson replied that there was no evidence to show that such was the case. The guards came from Police Headquarters, they were not in any way under the control of Mr. Murphy.

His Lordship thought that *prima facie*, the defendant was in charge of the guards.

Mr. Wadeson replied that he had not anything to do with the guards.

THE DEFENCE.

Mr. Wadeson said that his case was that as Mr. Murphy was returning from work that evening, he saw a crowd of Chinese, and two Indian guards holding them at bay with their rifles. As Mr. Murphy approached, one of the Chinese rushed at Mr. Murphy, but one of the guards pointed his rifle at the Chinese. The Chinese then stopped, saying "I do not want to make any trouble." Mr. Murphy then took the guards and the coolie they had arrested to his office. There he met a Mr. Ramsay, the chief storekeeper, to whom he related how the guards had been attacked by a crowd of Chinese. Mr. Ramsay suggested that he should go for the police and Mr. Murphy went to the Kowloon City Police Station by car. He returned with three policemen and the men were taken away. Concluding, Mr. Wadeson said that a breach of the peace had actually occurred when Mr. Murphy first arrived, and he was justified in having the men arrested.

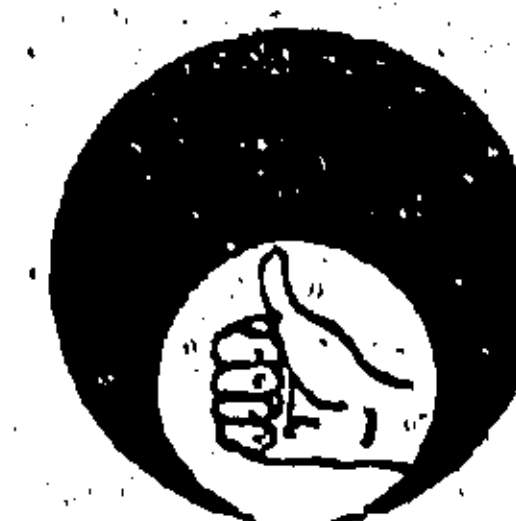
Mr. Murphy gave evidence, as outlined by his solicitor.

The case was adjourned until a week to-day.

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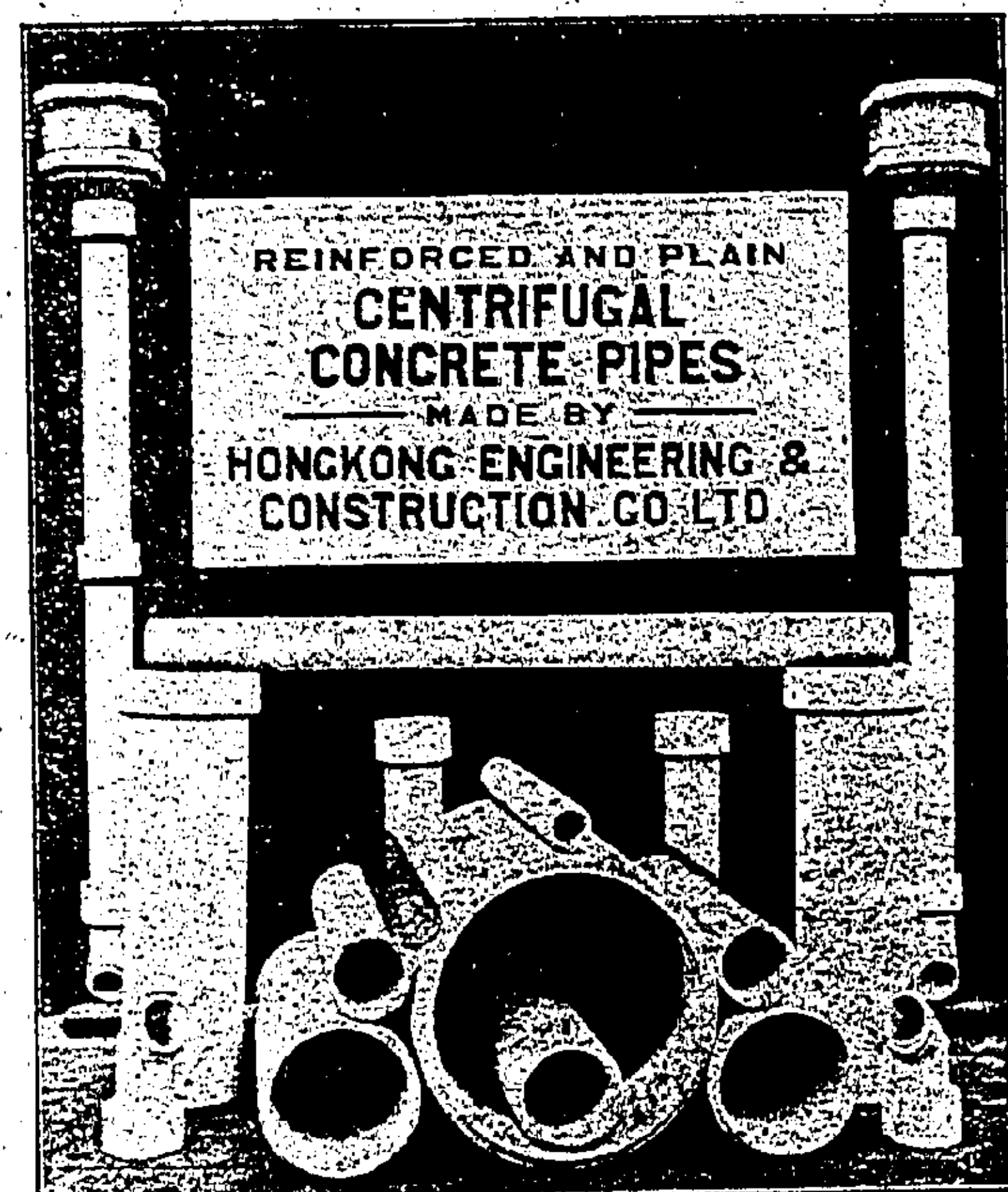
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MAGISTRATE'S ADVICE TO TRUCULENT CHINESE.

"Use as many stools as you want, but don't use a knife, because you are liable to kill somebody," was the advice which Mr. J. H. B. Nihill, at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday gave to a Chinese charged with assault.

The complainant, also a Chinese and an engineer in the employ of the Water Police, invited the defendant to a "square fight" over a girl whom both complainant and defendant were courting, according to the Police. Complainant seized a wooden stool and hit defendant, but the latter succeeded in evading it. Defendant, who is a butcher by business, tried to avenge this by wounding complainant with a knife on the left knee, this necessitating treatment for three weeks at the Kowloon Hospital.

In passing sentence, Mr. Nihill took into consideration the fact that it was the complainant who provoked the quarrel. He therefore did not convict the defendant, but ordered him to be bound over in \$100 for twelve months, and to compensate the complainant with \$10; the alternative being 14 days' imprisonment.

VIOLENT PRISONER.

SEQUEL TO ATTEMPT TO EVADE ARREST.

A sequel to an attempt to evade arrest, by a prisoner who became violent while being taken to Hung Hom Police Station, and even got away from there while being charged, took place at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon.

A Chinese appeared before Mr. J. H. B. Nihill charged with assault, and further with attempting to evade arrest.

The incident arose, it appears, through a "bus journey. From the evidence given it seems that the defendant assaulted a bus conductor, and in consequence of this he was taken into custody to the Hung Hom Police Station. On the way there he was very violent, and did his utmost to evade arrest. On reaching the Hung Hom Police Station he became exceedingly violent, and while being charged ran out of the station. A chase ensued, and he was eventually caught and brought back, incidentally adding another charge to the one of assault by his actions while in custody.

After hearing all the evidence, his Worship ordered defendant to pay \$2 compensation to the motor bus driver, and sentenced defendant to ten days' hard labour, without the option of a fine, for attempting to evade arrest.

CANTON CENSORSHIP.

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A DELUDED PEOPLE.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

The Canton Police and Board of Censors have been directed to guard against the admission of non-Cantonese publications which entertain doubts regarding Kuomintang *communiqués*. It is hoped that these official *communiqués* will be accepted by all people in Kwangtung as giving the authentic information regarding the present military movements in Central and North-Western China.

The Kuomintang still declare that General Sun Chuan Fang, the Tupan of Kiangsu and Chekiang, has finally decided to co-operate with the Kuomintang in Kwangtung. It is also stated that the Kuomintang delegates to Fukien and Yunnan, asking for co-operation against the militarists under Marshal Wu Pei Fu have been successful in their missions.

On the other hand the officials deny reports that "anti-Reds" in Kiangsi, Fukien, and Yunnan are marching against Kwangtung. In fact the Kuomintang deny every report unfavourable to them, alleging that such reports come from "imperialist" sources.

"Anti-Reds" in the South China ports, however, are now being advised by the Shanghai central office that General Sun Chuan Fang, Tupan of Kiangsu and Chekiang, has assured them that he will support Marshal Wu Pei Fu in his "anti-Red" campaign and that Kuomintang reports to the contrary cannot be trusted.

Celebrating "Victories."

September 5th was the day officially appointed by the Kuomintang "to offer sacrifice to the spirit of the late Dr. Sun Yat Sen, by whose blessing the cities of Wuchang and Hankow have come into Kuomintang hands," and all members of the Canton Administration attended the ceremonies arranged. M. Jacob Borodin, Soviet High Commissioner in South China, was also present. Mr. Sun Fo was given a great ovation and his admirers see in him a future President of China.

Cadets Deserting.

The Kuomintang are denying the "anti-Red" assertions that many cadets in the Whampoa Military Academy have deserted. According to Kuomintang official reports, from June 10th to July 20th, 148 desertions were reported, and it is pointed out that this number is a small percentage of the cadets at the Academy.

Feng's Delegate.

General Li Ming Chung, said to be a personal delegate of Feng Yu Hsiang, the "Christian General," to Canton, left the Southern Capital on September 5th, carrying from Kuomintang Headquarters a number of commissions, appointing General Feng a member of the Kuomintang Central Executive Committee and a corps commander.

Resignations from the Navy.

The Kuomintang naval commandant at Canton had to accept the resignation of 36 of his officers last week. The naval officials belonging to the older schools resigned as a protest against the appointment to the navy of men who should have been given military commands only.

Junk Traffic.

The stoppage of junk traffic between Shekai and Canton during the last few days has been due to bandits refusing to allow junks to navigate that section of the West River without paying the customary tribute. The junks have previously paid "protection fees" to pirates and bandits, but recently the Kuomintang advised that payments should be made to the duty of suppressing piracy on Canton waters.

Threatened Strike in Szeyp.

Postmen in the Szeyp districts are threatening a general strike unless the postmaster at Pakkai, Kungmoon, will re-instate a postman recently dismissed for absence without leave. The contention of the dismissed man is that his absence was necessitated by special duty with the Postmen's Union which sent him to Canton on business. As many Chinese residents in Hongkong are natives of Szeyp, any strike of this sort will cause much inconvenience to Hongkong Chinese.

SUPPRESSION OF BANDITRY. OFFICIAL COMMUNIQUE.

The following *communiqué* has been issued by the Canton Information Bureau:—

CANTON, September 3rd.

The Government recently issued to the commanders of the gunboats instructions to hasten the preparation for the campaign for the suppression of banditry in the Province. The gunboats will form different groups under the command of officers. The district authorities received orders to co-operate with the naval commanders in order to clear all the districts of gangs of pirates.

A Sanitary Board of examination planned by the Canton Municipality will start its operations on September 8th, according to a municipal decree promulgated yesterday. Ships entering Whampoa and Canton Ports will be examined by duly appointed medical officers. The creation of the Board has been notified to the Consular Body here.

WORKMAN'S MYSTERIOUS DEATH.

WAS HE GASSED IN NULLAH?

OFFICIAL INQUIRY.

On July 24th a Chinese coolie, aged 31 years, was overcome by gas while engaged in clearing sand from a part of the nullah in Pedder Street which received severe damage during the storm of July 18th-19th. From all appearances he was overcome by fumes, which escaped from a broken gas pipe. He was removed to the Government Civil Hospital in an unconscious state, where it was diagnosed that he was suffering from coal-gas poisoning. The following morning, however, he appeared to be quite normal and was discharged from hospital, but when he returned home the same night he was taken ill and died early in the morning of the 26th. Owing to the decomposed state of the body when it reached the mortuary on July 27th, it has been impossible to form an opinion as to the actual cause of death, while chemical tests revealed that death was not primarily due to coal-gas poisoning.

In order to ascertain the cause of the man's death, an enquiry was opened by Major C. Willson, sitting as a Coroner with a jury, at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon.

In opening the enquiry, Major Willson told the jury that it would be for them to determine whether the man received sufficient treatment and whether his subsequent disease was due to the gas poisoning in the first place.

No Pulse.

The first witness called was the father of the deceased, who said that on July 24th his son was admitted to the Government Civil Hospital, but after being discharged from hospital, returned to his home at Whitfield, at five o'clock on July 25th. His son told him that on July 24th he had been engaged in clearing sand out of a drain in the Central district near Flower Street, and that while working he had a rope tied around his waist, by which he would be pulled up if he tugged. His son explained what had happened, but left the house about eight o'clock, and returned again about ten o'clock. Later witness heard what seemed to be someone hanging on a bed.

He went to his son, who complained of a pain in his hand and in his abdomen. Witness tried to ease the pain by rubbing his son's abdomen with his hand. A Chinese doctor was sent for, who, when he arrived declared that the man had no pulse, and he would not prescribe for him. Between five and six o'clock the next morning an ambulance was sent, but when it arrived his son had died.

Quite Normal.

When Major Willson asked for medical evidence, Inspector Field, conducting the case for the police, stated that Dr. Valentine had left that morning for Shanghai, but had left his deposition, which he (Inspector Field) asked to be allowed to put in.

This deposition stated that the deceased was admitted to the Government Civil Hospital 9.30 a.m. on July 24th in an unconscious condition. He regained consciousness about an hour later. The next morning he appeared normal and was discharged from hospital. The diagnosis was coal-gas poisoning.

Dr. J. R. Craig was called, and said that the body of the deceased was brought to the mortuary on July 27th at 3.30 p.m. The body was in a state of advanced decomposition. Witness did not see the body until the morning of the 28th. It was impossible to form an opinion of the actual cause of death. The history of the case, as recorded on the chit which came with the body to the mortuary, was sewer-gas poisoning, while the medical history gave coal-gas poisoning. An analysis of the blood showed that there was no change in blood due to coal-gas poisoning.

Not Due to Coal-Gas Poisoning.

Major Willson read a report of the chemical tests carried out, and this showed that death was not primarily due to carbide of oxide or coal-gas poisoning.

Major Willson asked what other gas there could be down in the nullah besides that from a gas main.

Dr. Craig said it would all depend on whether the sewer was open or not. If it was only a coal-gas pipe open, it would be only coal-gas. The doctor added that he removed some blood from the heart of the deceased which when tested for coal-gas poisoning gave a negative result.

Pains All Over.

The principal tenant of No. 90, Whitfield, where the deceased and his father lived, corroborated the evidence of the father of the dead man. He said that when he was called to see the deceased at mid-night on the 25th, the man complained of pains all over his body.

Witness went on to relate how he subsequently went to the Wanchai Sanitary Department for an ambulance, and when he told them the man had been poisoned by coal-gas they referred him to the Public Dispensary. When he told them about the case there he was sent to No. 2 Police Station, and from there he was told to go to Bay View Police Station. He returned to the house first, and shortly afterwards the deceased died. He

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THE DOUBLE MURDER.

FURTHER DETAILS OF WESTERN MARKET AFFRAY.

PLUCKY ACTION OF UNARMED LUKONG.

Further details were obtainable yesterday in connection with the tragic affray which took place in the vicinity of the Western Market on Sunday morning, and as a result of which two men were killed, an alleged assailant wounded who is not in hospital under arrest, and a lukong also wounded and in hospital.

The conflict, it appears, was between a number of men employed as packers and members of a Triad Society. The arrested man was armed with a dagger. The other members of the gang, who were armed with sticks, iron bars, choppers and daggers, were able to get away, and a police notification now offers a reward of \$250 for information leading to arrests. It is learned that from 20 to 30 men were engaged in the fight.

Son of President of Guild.

The two men killed were both terribly hacked with choppers, in addition to nasty stab wounds. One of them was yesterday identified as a son of the President of the Packers' Guild.

Official Details.

Official accounts of the affray issued yesterday show that the parties in the fight belonged to opposing societies, and that the affray was the culmination of a Triad feud, which had been germinating over a long period. The two deceased men were accused by the members of the opposing faction, who counted the larger number, and an attack immediately began. One of the men was done to death on the spot, while the other, although mortally wounded, kept behind his assailant for a considerable distance before he fell dead. Tightly clutched in his hand was a police whistle which he used during the chase.

When the police arrived on the scene one of those engaged in the affray escaped into Morrison Street, through Cleverly Street, and on to the Praya, where he was brought to bay by a Chinese constable. The man, who had already been wounded in the back during the fight, offered desperate resistance and brandished a dagger. The constable watched for his opportunity and dealt a blow with a bamboo pole which disarmed the desperado. The man was then literally overcome and handcuffed.

Plucky Action.

The lukong's prompt action should not be allowed to pass without comment. He proved himself exceedingly plucky. He was unarmed, and, although not on duty at the time, he did not hesitate to attack the runaway. It is rarely that an unarmed lukong would be expected to tackle a desperado of this character who was in a very frenzied condition at the time.

Several Detained.

The detectives in charge of the case were engaged yesterday in pursuing their investigations and taking statements from people who were in the vicinity of the fight at the time.

A number of suspected persons have been detained for the purpose of being questioned, but no actual arrests, beyond that of the man in hospital, have yet been effected.

visited an undertaker's on the 26th to and asked if he could get a permit to bury the deceased. He was told it could not be obtained that day, and on July 27th he accompanied the undertaker to a Government office near the Post Office. Subsequently Sanitary Inspector Gregory came and viewed the body which was shortly afterwards conveyed in the dead cart to the mortuary.

The Foreman: Was the deceased discharged from hospital as fit and well?

Witness: Yes.

Foreman's Evidence.

The Chinese foreman of the Tung Yik of contractors, by whom deceased was employed, as a coolie, said that the deceased was engaged in clearing a drain (in the nullah) in Pedder Street on the morning of July 24th. He was poisoned by coal-gas and was seen by a woman coolie to be lying unconscious. He was pulled up by the rope tied around his waist and four bottles of soda water were brought. They tried to pour some down his throat, and the deceased vomited. A European Police Sergeant appeared on the scene and the man was conveyed in an ambulance to hospital.

Questioned as to why the rope was fastened around the deceased's body, the witness replied that it was a Government rule and was always done in connection with this sort of work.

Major Willson: But the rope is not going to save his life if he inhales a large quantity of gas!

Witness: When a man wants to come up we pull him up.

Major Willson: Suppose he is overcome so suddenly that he cannot be pulled up. Is nothing else done to make sure it is safe for a man to go down besides giving him a rope.

Witness replied that the tying of the rope around a man engaged in this sort of work was the only precaution taken. He had never known of such a case before in several years' experience.

After hearing further evidence, Major Willson adjourned the enquiry until this afternoon.

CHINESE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

MEETING OF THE GENERAL COMMITTEE.

THE LATE MR. HO FOOK.

A number of interesting items, in addition to the usual routine business, occupied the attention of the General Committee of the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce of Hongkong at its meeting yesterday afternoon, when there was quite a large attendance. Mr. Li Yau Tsun, chairman of the Chamber, was in the chair, supported by Mr. Ip Loan Chuan, general secretary of the Chamber. Before proceeding to the regular business, Mr. Li referred to the death of Mr. Ho Fook, for some years an officer of the Chamber, and referred to his past services to the Chamber and to the Chinese community of Hongkong generally. All present arose, in token of respect to the deceased. The Chairman instructed the Secretary to convey to the family of the deceased the sympathy of the Chamber.

ARMED CONVOYS.

It was stated that the Colonial Secretary's office had communicated with the Chamber, on the subject of the necessity of again putting into effect the armed convoy system for the benefit of river shipping. The meeting, after some discussion, decided to refer the question to the Chinese shipping interests.

POLICE SEARCHERS.

Reference was made to those hotel managers interested in the welfare of outgoing and incoming passengers, complaints having been made to the Chamber of abuses by Police searchers. There was considerable discussion, but no action was taken regarding the subject.

The Chamber, since their last meeting in August, has received a number of trade inquiries, some of which have been duly published in the Chinese papers for those interested.

The official directory of leading Chinese merchants and trades, now being prepared under the auspices of the Chamber, is expected to be ready before the end of this year.

B. & S. STEAMER SEIZED.

"COCKCHAFFER" AND "WIDGEON" CALLED UPON.

OFFICIAL DETAILS.

It was stated in the cables yesterday that General Yang Sen, of Szechuan, a supporter of Marshal Wu Pei-fu, had seized a British steamer at Wan Hsien.

The facts have now been officially communicated to the Press. The steamer was the *Wan Liu*, owned by Messrs. Butterfield & Swire. This vessel was surrounded by troops in sampans who forced her to stop by constant firing. When she had stopped, the troops tried to get aboard but in the course of the scramble two of the sampans collided and sank and it is believed that some soldiers were drowned.

General Yang Sen maintained that the steamer had run down the sampans and ordered that she should be detained until compensation was forthcoming for the loss of lives. H.M.S. *Cockchafer* went to the *Wan Liu's* assistance, but ran aground and could not extricate herself. The H.M.S. *Widgeon* was therefore called upon and soon appeared upon the scene.

H.B.M.'s Consul at Chungking has left for Wan Hsien and will endeavour to settle the difficulty.

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Numerous other numerous incidents follow among which is a hold up of the bank where McTavish has just had his draft refused. He is, of course, accused of complicity in the robbery in spite of the fact that he gave chase to the bandits. Finally he gets locked up in the town prison.

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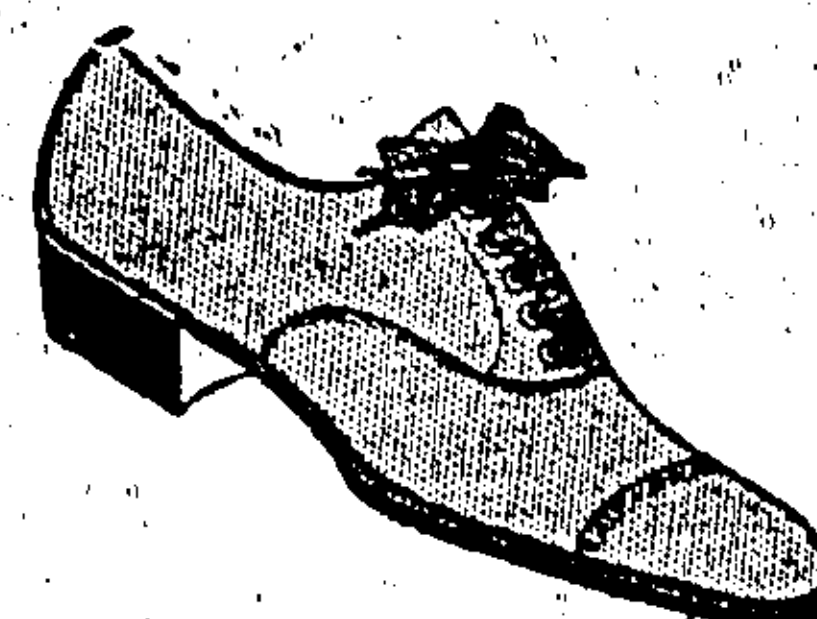
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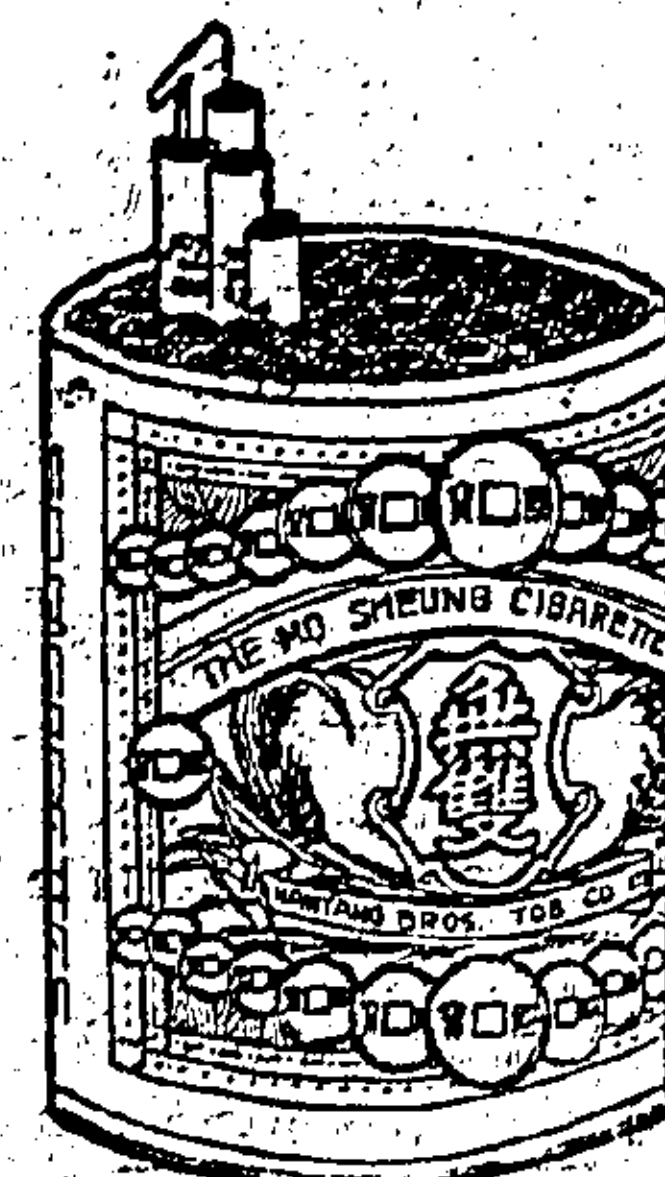
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HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE SIXTH YEARLY DRAWING OF 20 DEBENTURES (1926 Issue—\$500 Each) of the HONGKONG CLUB Payable on THURSDAY, the 30th SEPTEMBER, 1926, will be held in the Club House, at 11 O'CLOCK, A.M., on TUESDAY, the 14th SEPTEMBER, 1926.
Bearing of Debentures are Invited to Attend the Drawing.

By Order,
T. A. ROBERTSON, Lieut. Col.,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 2nd September, 1926. [3918]

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

DRAFT PROGRAMMES AND ENTRY FORMS FOR THE FOURTH EXTRA RACE MEETING to be held on SATURDAY, 9th OCTOBER, 1926 (Weather Permitting), may be obtained at the Race Course, CAUSEWAY BAY STABLES and HONGKONG CLUB ANNEX.
ENTRIES WILL CLOSE at 12 O'CLOCK Noon on SATURDAY, 25th SEPTEMBER, 1926. [3906]

MATRICULATION, SENIOR AND JUNIOR LOCAL EXAMINATIONS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the EXAMINATIONS will begin on MONDAY, DECEMBER 6th, 1926. Forms of Entry and Copies of Regulations and Syllabus can be obtained on Application to the Registrar.

Each Entry Form, duly filled in, must reach the Registrar together with the Statutory Fees on or before the 15th SEPTEMBER, 1926. Scholarships to be awarded on the Result of the Examinations will be published at a later date.
Grand Copies of Examination Papers, set at Past Examinations, can be obtained from the Registrar at \$1 Per Set.

W. K. REYNOLDS,
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1st September, 1926. [3925]

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CANTON'S PRECARIOUS POSITION.

On Sunday evening, September 5th, Wuchang was still held by the Northern troops. That is an official message from foreign sources the accuracy of which cannot be doubted. As we write, we have before us a telegram from Canton, purporting to have been dispatched from the "Headquarters of the Commander-in-Chief at Hankow on September 1st, which states definitely that Hanyang was captured at 4 p.m. that day, and that the Southern troops entered Hankow an hour later. Wuchang is regarded as having fallen on August 29th and consequently it is claimed that the Kuomintang are in possession of all three cities—Wuchang, Hanyang and Hankow. We now know that this information broadcast from Canton is false. There is no possibility of a mistake having occurred through some enthusiastic junior officer at the rear of the army jumping too hastily to conclusions. The telegram is accompanied by Press messages which give a wealth of detail concerning the disposition of the forces, the number of rifles captured and even the name of the general actually engaged in maintaining order in Hankow itself. All these details must be imaginary and the only inference to draw is that they are part of a carefully planned campaign of lying entered into deliberately by the Southern military.

leaders. It is difficult for the foreigner to understand what it was hoped such a campaign might achieve, but probably the strict censorship recently imposed in Canton supplies some clue to the correct answer. The Canton militarists are at their wits' end to provide money for their expedition and, on the assumption that nothing succeeds like success, they have spread the reports of astonishing victories with the idea that such reports will spur members of the Kuomintang to still greater generosity in contributing to the war funds and will give a higher value to the war bonds and paper money on the market. It is a question of finance. The account in the *Daily Press* yesterday of the misguided youth who handed over to the war chest \$2,000 which did not belong to him is evidence that the scheme has succeeded to some extent. Hundreds of other young people—men and women—worked up to a pitch of excitement by the glowing accounts of the army's achievements are rushing to take the oath of allegiance, and such a spirit must, in some measure, effect their elders. A true statement of the facts of the case would dampen this ardour immediately. Hence the Government's frantic attempts to keep out of Canton all newspapers containing the authentic news calculated to throw doubt upon their claims. Rumours, of course, pass by word of mouth that the situation is not so encouraging as it is represented to be by the official organs, but as there is little to support these rumours it is a comparatively easy matter to attribute them to the "propaganda of the Imperialists." At the moment there is no doubt that the Cantonese are being hopelessly deluded by a well organised and very efficiently managed publicity machine. The awakening must come sooner or later. We wonder what form the re-action will take.

To the impartial observer who will study the map of China the position of the Cantonese would appear to be most precarious. They are hundreds of miles away from their base, and not the smallest attempt is being made to guard their lines of communication. Even if they capture Wuchang it will help them little. Troops are being rushed down from the North, and it seems incredible that the Southerners will be able to cross the Yangtze in the face of a hostile and well-trained force. The most they can hope to achieve, therefore, is to make Wuchang their headquarters and their prospects of scoring even this minor success grow more remote as each day passes. The circumstantial reports that the Wuhan cities had fallen deceived even foreigners for a time because their fall was attributed to the mutiny of some of Wu Pui Fei's troops and to the desertion of his officers. It was never imagined for a moment that these cities had been taken in straight fighting. But although there has been some disaffection among Wu Pui Fei's men it has not been as serious as originally suggested and the trouble appears now to have been overcome.

What advantage would it be to CHIANG KAI SHEK and the Kuomintang to establish themselves in Wuchang instead of Canton? CHIANG KAI SHEK possibly believed that Marshal SUN CHUAN FANG would either remain neutral or co-operate with the Kuomintang and that his line of march from Canton to the Yangtze would, therefore, always remain open. That is the only assumption upon which we can imagine he would have ventured so far afield. But his negotiations have miscarried. We have unchallengeable information that Marshal SUN CHUAN FANG, the ruler of the five Eastern provinces, is throwing his whole weight on to the side of the North and is sending a large expedition to cut off Canton's retreat. A similar expedition is being organised from the Western side and the two forces will converge probably somewhere in the neighbourhood of Changsha. The Southerners are thus caught in a trap. They may reach Wuchang—and that is still doubtful—but it seems practically certain that Canton will know them no more.

EXIT THE PICKETS.

H.E. THE GOVERNOR recently described the Strike Pickets as pirates. The pickets were extremely indignant at the time. They are probably more indignant now they realise that the British Government has decided to support the Governor's words by action. It has been declared as an official policy that pickets shall not be allowed to interfere with British goods on the waterways, and this policy is being carried out by the naval authorities both at Canton and Swatow.

At Canton British bluejackets have driven the pickets from the Hongkong and Canton and Macao Steamboat Company's wharves and are remaining there on guard, covered by the gunboats on the river. At Swatow the boat used by the pickets has been taken and there are none of these piratical gentlemen now to be seen on the waterfront.

It would appear that the pickets' period of abnormal prosperity is coming to an end. We hear that the Canton Government, hard pressed for funds for the Northern expedition, have already stopped the financial supplies. The strikers and their leaders must find for themselves. And now when their need is greatest the most profitable part of their "trade" is ruthlessly cut off. It is, of course, too much to hope that they will immediately try to find some honest employment. A good many of them will doubtless still endeavour to batten upon the trader inland, but their prestige has suffered a severe blow and, in the circumstances, it is not impossible that even the small merchants, fearful above all things as they are of physical violence, will at last take heart of grace and show some sign of manhood.

The pickets have been driven from the wharves discredited. They will receive no support or sympathy from the Government, who are doubtless secretly pleased at their discomfiture. It only remains for the traders to join together in a steadfast refusal to submit to blackmail, and trade should soon resume something like its ordinary course.

It is curious how quickly these ruffians disappeared at the first show of armed force. For over a year they have been an unmitigated nuisance and have caused incalculable damage. Many murders have been laid at their door. By their bluster they have frightened the Government from taking any action to suppress them. They have introduced a reign of terror throughout the province. Then a few bluejackets, obviously intent on business, are landed and the pickets are gone. There was scarcely a sign of resistance. The reports from Canton yesterday state that the City is perfectly quiet. There have been no demonstrations and certainly no suggestion of any resentment from the townspeople at the sight of two British sailors guarding British property.

Mr. Charles Whitley has been admitted as a partner in the firm of A. G. da Rocha, auctioneer.

The Colony had a clean bill of health, as far as notifiable diseases are concerned, for the 48 hours ended September 5th.

Mr. Lo Chung Wan, of the Netherlands Trading Society, has been made an Officer of the Order of Orange-Nassau by the Queen of the Netherlands.

At 10.45 a.m. and at 1 p.m. to-day, a demonstration of the new musical recording machine, the Panatrope, is to be given in Messrs. Lane, Crawford's restaurant.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Mr. James Stanley Logan, senior wireless operator, Cape d'Agular Wireless Station, to Miss Helen Haliday Buchanan, Dumfries, Scotland.

At the Central Magistracy yesterday Sergeant McEwen charged five men with gambling. It was stated that a card party was held on the roof of a house. They were fined \$3 each.

Amongst the passengers who arrived here by the *s.s. Harina Maru* were Mrs. A. D. Birch, Mr. L. Baum, Mr. H. M. Nemaze, Mr. M. M. Nemaze, Mr. W. J. Shenton, Mr. J. Turton and Mr. N. Wichman.

The death has occurred, at the age of 71, of Mrs. A. Rooper, of No. 7, Peace Avenue, Homuntin, Kowloon. Mrs. Rooper passed away on Sunday.

While at Stonecutters' Island on Saturday, a European lady lost an opal, diamond and gold ring, which she values at \$300. She reported the loss to the Water Police yesterday.

H.M. the Queen of the Netherlands has granted to Mr. Lo Chung Wan, Comptroller of the Nederlandsche Handel-Maatschappij (Netherlands Trading Society), the rank of "Officer" in the Order of "Oranje Nassau."

The enquiry concerning the deaths of four Chinese coolie workmen, killed as a result of the crashing of a huge boulder, into the No. 3 Pumping Station during the storm of July 19th, will be resumed by Mr. R. E. Lindsell, sitting as Coroner with a jury, at the Central Magistracy this afternoon.

The residence of Mr. W. H. Bell, No. 374, the Peak, was broken into by a burglar on Saturday night. Access was gained by breaking a pane of glass and opening a window of the dining room. The thief took several articles of clothing valued at \$10.50—belonging to Mr. Bell, and also part of the amah's valuables consisting of two pieces of jewellery and \$32 in money.

In our report yesterday of the case in which a Japanese was charged in connection with the seizure of 8,800 ounces of heroin, on the *s.s. Angers*, it was inadvertently stated that locally the value of this quantity of the drug would be \$30,000,000. The figure should have read about \$300,000, the Home market value being \$101,680, while here it increases by about three times.

An armed robbery is reported from Saikung village. Ng Sai Fook, the master of a fishing boat, stated that two men, one of whom was armed with a revolver, and the other with a dagger, came on board whilst the vessel was lying at anchor off the village, and threatened him and his wife. They ransacked the boat and stole money and property to the value of \$650. A subsequent report stated that the master and his wife were both taken to Hospital presumably as a consequence of injuries received at the hands of the robbers.

A general meeting of the People's Savings Corporation, Ltd. (in voluntary liquidation) was held, in pursuance of Section 187 (2) of the Companies Ordinance, 1911, at the office of the Liquidators, China Buildings, 5th floor, Queen's Road, Central, yesterday. At the meeting, which was private, a report of the Liquidator, the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotevall, giving an account of his acts and dealings and of the conduct of the winding-up during the preceding year, was presented.

The matriculation, senior and junior local examinations are announced to begin on Monday, December 6th. Forms of entry and a copy of the regulations and syllabus can be obtained on application to the Registrar of the Hongkong University. Filled in entry forms, together with statutory fees, have to be returned to the Registrar by September 25th. Scholarships to be awarded on the result of the examinations will be published at a later date. Bound copies of examination papers, set at past examinations, can be obtained from the Registrar.

No fewer than five fairly large mails arrived yesterday. The *S. Albans* brought 77 bags from Australia and Manila; the *Takada* brought a consignment from Kobe and Amoy, the *Van Overstraten* brought mail from Straits, and later in the day the *Sunning* arrived from Shanghai and the *Tjikarang* with Shanghai and Europe mail via Siberia. This morning the R.M.S. *Empress of Russia* will arrive with mail from Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai, and there are also due two Straits mails by the *Talamba* and the *Laisang*, as well as another Shanghai mail by the *Serpent*.

The *s.s. Albert Vogler* arrived yesterday from Hamburg and Singapore. She brought four passengers for Hongkong and is carrying six others on to Shanghai to-day. Those disembarking here were Mr. W. Weinheimer, from Hamburg, Mrs. M. Proffen and one child (from Naples), and Mr. Mei Schu Deng (from Naples). Those passing through were Miss G. Riching, from Hamburg to Shanghai; Mrs. D. Parrett and one child, from Rotterdam to Shanghai; Mr. and Mrs. T. Kregory, from Naples to Shanghai; and Captain O. Schulze, from Hamburg to Yokohama.

DEPORTEES BREAK OUT ON "TALAMBA."

H.M.S. CARLISLE GOES TO HER ASSISTANCE.

ARMED GUARD PLACED ON BOARD.

A great deal of interest will centre around the British India steamer *Talamba*, when she enters port this morning, in consequence of the news of a somewhat serious and startling nature which was contained in the wireless messages received in Hongkong yesterday from this steamer, regarding an insurrection among deportees on board. An interesting story will be obtainable, it is expected, and important developments are also anticipated.

The wireless messages received by the local agents, Messrs. Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., have been very brief, but they indicate that the deportees on the vessel have been guilty of mutinous conduct and had evidently made some attempt to gain possession of the ship. It is also gathered that they attacked the officers, who, fortunately, were able to cope with the emergency, and take the situation in hand before any real damage could be done, although the position was serious enough to warrant a call for assistance and the despatching of H.M.S. *Carlisle* to the scene.

Assistance Wanted.

The first wireless message was received from the *Talamba* on Sunday night, and this asked for immediate assistance as the position was serious. The Naval authorities at once wirelessed to Swatow, where the *Carlisle* was and this warship left and steamed at full speed to meet the *Talamba*.

A message received in Hongkong yesterday morning indicated that the position was well in hand, and that the mutinous deportees were being kept at bay. When the first message was sent out the *Talamba* was over 600 miles away from the Colony, being on her way from Singapore to Hongkong.

H.M.S. Carlisle Present.

On enquiry from the Naval authorities yesterday afternoon we were informed that the *Carlisle* had reached the *Talamba* about fifteen miles, the steamer then being in the vicinity of the Paracels. It was further ascertained that the deportees numbered 64, and that a strong armed guard had been placed on the *Talamba* which was proceeding to Hongkong with the *Carlisle* acting as escort to her.

Well in Hand.

The British officers, including deck officers, engineers, purser and steward, on the *Talamba* number about fourteen, and the fact that one message stated indicated that the position was well in hand, tends to show that they were armed and able to deal with the "mutineers."

It is understood that these deportees were being sent from the Straits to China, as is done frequently. In some cases something in the nature of a guard or escort is sent, but not invariably so, the deportees being simply taken charge of by the police at the port for which they are destined to land, and then dealt with in the ordinary way. Although it cannot be definitely ascertained, it would appear that there was no escort on board the *Talamba*, and if there was it could not have been a sufficiently large one. Deportees, too, are not prisoners and have a certain amount of freedom, similar to that of deck passengers.

The Casualties.

A further message received here yesterday stated that one deportee was killed and two were wounded, but it does not state how these tragic events occurred. It has not been possible to discover the origin of the trouble, owing to the brevity of the messages received.

Latest Details.

The latest information available late last night was that the *Talamba* was expected to arrive with H.M.S. *Carlisle* outside the harbour, it is presumed Gap Rock or Waglan, about mid-night. It was then arranged that a police launch should leave Hongkong with a force of police on board, who would go on the *Talamba*, and remain there through the night, relieving the *Carlisle* of her responsibility, and replacing the guard on the steamer. The *Talamba*, we were informed, would remain outside all night, but would enter the harbour at daylight this morning and go to the wharf at Kowloon.

The police will take charge of the matter from now on and will be busy this morning obtaining reports from the officers of the boat. Arrests of ringleaders are expected, but what action will be taken remains to be seen.

THE STRUGGLE IN CENTRAL CHINA.

SOUTHERNERS' DARING.

NORTHERNERS STILL HOLD WUCHANG.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, September 6th.

Reuter's correspondent at Hankow, under date 2nd instant, says that the reports that Marshal Wu Pei Fu is wounded are absolutely unfounded.

The Southerners are under the walls of Wuchang, having occupied the larger buildings in the city's precincts, but the town is still in the Northerners' hands.

MARSHAL SUN'S VIEWS.

SHANGHAI, Later.

A Cantonese emissary has approached Marshal Sun Chuan Fang urging him to join the Southerners in their war against Wu and Chang, according to the vernacular papers published here this morning.

It is added that Marshal Sun has refused to consider any offer from Canton, making it quite clear that he is strongly opposed to Bolshevism and Communism.

STILL STRUGGLING FOR WUCHANG.

A message from Hankow states that the Southern forces launched an attack against three points simultaneously on the morning of September 3rd.

A fierce struggle ensued, the Allied troops withholding fire until the Southerners had reached close quarters. Many of them had reached the city wall and were actually in the act of scaling ladders when the Allies opened a murderous fire with machine guns and rifles.

In the meantime Wu Pei Fu's cruisers, having full view of the Southern forces, shelled them from point-blank range.

CASUALTIES.

The Cantonese troops ultimately retired leaving over twelve hundred casualties on the field.

The Allied Headquarters have issued a statement to the effect that the Allied casualties were two hundred, but it is probable that the number was considerably more.

Since noon quietness has reigned.

SOUTHERNERS CROSS THE YANGTZE.

PEKING, September 6th.

It is reported that a Southern force has daringly crossed the Yangtze above Hanyang and reached the Han River. Consequently there are active preparations for defence proceeding at Hankow and Hanyang, where Northern reinforcements continue to arrive.

A message from Hankow, dated Sept. 5th, states that no Kiangsi troops have entered Hunan. Sun Chuan Fang continues to send troops to Kiangsi, but, apparently, he is adhering to his expressed intention not to fight unless Kiangsi is invaded.

JAPAN'S TYPHOON.

FURTHER DETAILS OF THE DISASTER.

TOKYO, September 6th.

Official figures of Saturday's typhoon damage include thirty-one dead, nine missing, 159 injured, 254 buildings destroyed, and 630 damaged; but as communications have not yet been fully restored, probably there will be further damage and casualties.

CINEMA TRAGEDY.

THIRTY PERSONS PERISH IN FIRE OUTBREAK.

LONDON, September 6th.

Thirty persons have perished in a cinema fire at Drumcollogher, in County Limerick.

CALCUTTA'S COMMUNAL RIOTING.

OBJECTION TO MUSIC.

CALCUTTA, September 5th.

During communal riot in the Wadgaunge suburb several were injured, including one European and one Indian police officer. Over a hundred arrests were made.

When a Hindu procession, with a band, was passing a mosque, Mohammedans summoned the Hindus to stop the music. The Hindus refused, whereupon fighting ensued, the Hindus marching past playing. Both sides were reinforced and the police had to charge.

SPAIN IN A FERMENT.

MARTIAL LAW IN FORCE.

ARMY INDISCIPLINE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

MADRID, September 5th.

The Government has announced that in view of recent events necessitating drastic action, it has requested the King's authority to proclaim Martial Law throughout Spain and to enforce suitable measures.

The King on the advice of the Government, has decided to leave San Sebastian immediately for Madrid.

All is quiet in Madrid.

SEQUEL TO RUMOURS.

LONDON, September 5th.

News from Madrid regard the proclamation of a state of war as a sequel to recent rumours which were semi-officially declared to be alarmist and unfounded in regard to disorders in Spain and serious discontent among Spanish Army officers who were reported to have called on General Primo de Rivera to resign because he issued a decree abolishing the system of promotion by seniority, substituting promotion by merit.

THE ARMY.

MADRID, September 5th.

It is now confirmed that the proclaiming of Martial Law is due to indiscipline in the Army. The Government's proclamation declares that a very grave state of affairs exists arising from the decree of June 6th, since when there have been numerous acts of indiscipline.

To-day the Chief of the Artillery, without the War Minister's authorisation, recalled from leave all higher artillery officers, whilst the Commander of Artillery at Segovia confined the whole garrison to barracks. A similar incident occurred at Valladolid.

General de Rivera has requested the King to dismiss all higher artillery officers and to forbid them to wear their uniform.

THE KING'S DECREES.

LATER.

The King has arrived at the War Ministry and published two decrees, the first proclaiming Martial Law in Spain, the Balearic Islands and the Canaries; and the second depriving all active Artillery officers, except the Moroccan garrisons, of their functions, privileges and pay. The latter decree also forbids them wearing uniform. An Officers' Reserve is taking charge of each locality.

THE RINGLEADERS.

MADRID, September 5th.

According to a semi-official statement, His Majesty, who rushed to Madrid by motor-car in order to confer with General de Rivera, has reiterated his confidence that De Rivera will be able to quell the insubordination of Artillery.

Absolute discipline prevails amongst the rest of the Army, including the Artillery Reserve. The regular Artillery officers have left barracks.

The Government does not anticipate bloodshed, but has announced that the ringleaders will be called to account.

GIBRALTAR, September 5th.

It is reported from Cadiz and Barcelona that warships are supporting the artillery who are confined in barracks.

DEALING WITH THE ARTILLERY.

MADRID, September 6th.

An official communiqué states that the King has reiterated his confidence in General Primo de Rivera, and the Government has received offers of support from various bodies including militaries. The attitude of the Army and Artillery Reserve is perfectly disciplined. The Chief of Staff, accompanied by a detachment of infantry, called at the barracks of the First Regiment of Artillery and ordered the resignation of the commander, and the surrender of the barracks. The orders were obeyed. Two of the barracks at Barcelona refused to surrender arms, and were immediately surrounded by cavalry and infantry. After negotiations, the officers submitted to the senior officers of the Tenth and Twelfth Artillery Regiments. Officers of the Artillery School are under arrest at their own residences.

ORIGIN OF THE TROUBLE.

LATER.

De Rivera states that the incident occurred at Pamplona, when the regiment of artillery was summoned to surrender. During the course of the trouble a lieutenant and a private were killed and a sergeant and private were wounded, all of whom belonged to the artillery.

COAL DISPUTE.

SEEKING A SETTLEMENT FORMULA.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, September 5th.

As a result of correspondence between the coal-owners and the Government Mines Department, representatives of the Mining Association will attend a meeting of the Coal Committee of the Cabinet to-morrow to discuss the question of calling a joint conference of the parties to the coal dispute. The Association had in a previous letter informed the Mines Department that they were unable to meet the miners in three-corner conferences to discuss a national agreement, as they "had no authority to enter into any discussions of negotiations on behalf of District Colliery owners' Association on questions of terms of employment by workmen."

The general belief is that the insistence of the coal-owners to settle terms in the districts and not on a national basis will not be allowed to block the way to a settlement.

The Government view that this matter is capable of an equitable settlement by national agreement, with district variations in accordance with conditions existing in the different areas, was expressed by Mr. Churchill, Chancellor of the exchequer, in Parliament last week. This view was expressed strongly by the Coal Commission's report, and the negotiation of such an agreement is now the sole limitation placed by the Miners' Executive on the scope of the discussion at the joint conference which they requested have Mr. Churchill to convene.

Presumably the Cabinet Coal Committee, at their meeting with the Mining Association to-morrow, will invite that body to obtain from the District Coal-owners' Associations a mandate to enter upon discussions on a national basis.

AN INDIA HOUSE.

NEW MOVEMENT IN LONDON.

RUGBY, September 5th.

The Sunday Times states that there is a strong movement on foot, in commercial circles interested in British-Indian trade, to establish an India House in London, on similar lines to Australia House and Canada House.

COBHAM REACHES TIMOR ISLAND.

RUGBY, September 5th.

Mr. Alan Cobham left Port Darwin Australia yesterday and arrived at Timor Island, this being the first of his sea stages on his homeward journey.

THE ST. LEGER.

LATEST BETTING.

LONDON, September 6th.

Betting 9 to 4 on Coronach laid; 5 to 2 wanted; 8 to 1 on Cassiot; 8 to 1 on Masked Rider; 10 to 1 on Foliation and Comedy King; 100 to 5 on Booklet offered; 25 to 1 on Southbourne; taken and offered.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

U.S. POLO FINAL.

ANGLO-AMERICAN TEAM BEATEN.

New York, September 5th. Orange County won the final match for the Herbert Memorial Polo Trophy from the Hurricanes, who are an Anglo-American team, at the Rumson Country Club by 13 to 4. The Hurricanes received two on the handicap.

U.S. RAILWAY DISASTER.

MANY KILLED AND INJURED.

DENVER (Colorado), Sept. 6th. Fifteen were killed and fifty injured, twenty-five seriously, by the derailment of a passenger train from Salt Lake City proceeding to Iowa and Denver, forty-five miles from Salda, Colorado. The engine, guards van and three coaches fell into the Arkansas River.

NEW LIPS FOR OLD.

HOW MODERN SURGERY DEFEATS CANCER.

"A man suffering from cancer of the lips had them removed and new ones substituted. A man suffering from cancer of the nose had a new one restored within seven weeks of the first being removed. The spread of the disease was prevented."

Dr. J. Eastman Sheehan, the famous New York surgeon, made these statements at Southampton before sailing for the United States in the *Mauretania*. The cases were quoted at the recent international clinic conference in Paris, which Dr. Sheehan attended as the United States representative.

THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

GERMANY'S ELECTION ASSURED.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, September 5th.

The present week will see Germany's entry into the League of Nations. On Saturday, the final technicalities were completed and the Council unanimously accepted the report of the committee on its re-organisation. The Council has thus expressed its clear intention of making Germany the sole permanent addition to its members.

The Assembly is, of course, the final authority, but the formalities connected with its approval of Council's decision will probably be completed on Wednesday, so that the German delegation can take its place in the Assembly on Friday. Although it is believed and hoped that Spain will not resign from the League, she will temporarily absent herself from the proceedings, this decision being announced in a reply from General Primo de Rivera to a pressing appeal from M. Briand and Sir Austen Chamberlain.

LIVELY SHOOTING AFFRAY AT SINGAPORE.

CHINESE DETECTIVE ATTACKED BY COMPATRIOT.

A PISTOL DUEL.

The story of a battle between a Chinese detective and a Chinese, alleged to be a gunman, which took place on Boat Quay, a short time ago, was told in the Third Police Court yesterday, at the preliminary enquiry into the case, states the *Straits Times* of August 28th.

Whilst the detective was giving evidence, the accused said: "In China you were a brigand, you robbed my family and killed my father and my grandfather. I came to Singapore for revenge, and was here only five days before I saw you."

The detective said that on August 13th, he met three Chinese at the corner of Keng Chan Street, Boat Quay, of which the accused was one. His suspicions were aroused, but before accosting the accused, he decided to obtain assistance. He had only walked a few paces, when the accused fired at him wounding him in the forearm. As he turned he was stabbed. Witness drew his revolver, and the two other men ran away.

DUEL WITH PISTOLS.

He and the accused had a duel with their pistols, but did not hit each other. The accused bolted and witness followed. In Fisher Street two constables overtook the accused who stabbed them and broke away again.

Witness said he made another attempt to catch the accused, who stabbed him twice and ran into a shop in Cumming Street. Here with the assistance of a man named Gim Guan, witness overpowered and arrested the accused.

A Malay constable stated that he knocked the pistol out of the accused's hand with his baton.

When the case came up this morning, the accused was committed to the next assizes.

OLD WOMAN HURT.

SEQUEL TO MOTOR CAR MISHAP.

A Chinese was charged with driving a car without a licence, before Mr. R. E. Lindell yesterday, and in the course of the case, Sergeant Roberts stated that the car swerved on to the footpath at Tai Yuen Street, and knocked down an old woman.

Without waiting to be called, the old woman came forward in the Court, and there was an unexpected look on her face as she limped, laboriously, and leaned heavily against the side of the dock.

However, Inspector Blackman said that the old woman was only slightly injured in the foot.

His Worship allowed compensation of \$2 to the old woman, this to be paid by the defendant, who was also fined \$20 on conviction.

AIR LINER CRASH.

M. RIZZI'S PRESENTIMENT BEFORE MISHAP.

LONDON, August 16th.

Mr. Hugo Rizzi, the popular manager of the West End Ambassadors Dance Club and ex-Director of the restaurant at the Savoy Hotel, who was killed in the air liner crash at Lympne, was one of the best-known passengers in the "cross-Channel air services."

He went to Paris regularly by air to obtain the latest delicacies.

He talked heartily to friends in his Club on August 12th, on the subject of death while flying.

Before leaving for Paris, asked if he was not afraid of a serious mishap, Mr. Rizzi said: "I have a presentiment that I will never die in bed. I prefer to die that way. Besides look how well known I am in Clubland. All London will be talking about poor old Rizzi."

Daily Press Cricket Competition.

Selecting the Hongkong Interport Team.

First Prize	- - - - -	\$200
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Third Prize	- - - - -	25

WE ARE PRINTING BELOW THE FIRST COUPON FOR THE COMPETITION WHICH HAS BEEN ADVERTISED DURING THE PAST FEW DAYS.

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ONE LIST ACCOMPANIED BY TWENTY COUPONS WILL BE JUDGED AS TWENTY LISTS, OR ONE ACCOMPANIED BY TEN COUPONS AS TEN LISTS, AND SO ON, AND POINTS WILL BE GIVEN ACCORDINGLY.

(The Rules of the Competition were fully set out in the "Daily Press" of August 26th, 28th, 30th and 31st.)

ALL SERIES A LISTS MUST BE SENT TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS" ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 15th. THE COMPILATION OF THESE LISTS WILL DOUBTLESS PRESENT CONSIDERABLE DIFFICULTY, BUT IT SHOULD BE REMEMBERED THAT DOUBLE MARKS ARE EARNED BY CORRECT SELECTIONS. SERIES A, THEREFORE, PROVIDES EXPERT JUDGES WITH A GOOD CHANCE TO ESTABLISH A LEAD IN THE COMPETITION.

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Cricket Competition

Series A.

September 7th, 1926.

A MAXIMUM OF 140 POINTS MAY BE SCORED BY 20 LISTS IN SERIES A, TWO POINTS BEING GIVEN FOR EACH CORRECT SELECTION ON EACH LIST.

DISEASE DRIVEN AWAY BY DRESS.

THE BENEFITS OF SHORT HAIR AND SHORT FROCKS.

DOCTORS' REPORT.

That modern fashions have made women healthier is asserted by Dr. F. N. K. Menzies, Medical Officer to the L.C.C. in his first annual report on London's health.

This report, was prepared by Dr. Menzies in collaboration with his predecessor, Sir W. H. Hamer.

"There is no doubt," says the report, "that the arduous work of the school nurses has been greatly helped by the revolution in fashion which has taken place."

"It is, indeed, interesting to find that at times Dame Fashion would almost appear to have taken counsel with the Lady Hygieia. Formerly in many ways the vagaries of feminine modes struck deeply at the roots of health and sapped the vitality, especially of girls and young women. They dictated the compression of vital organs, the constriction of the circulating organs, and the limitation of freedom of movement. The result was seen in malformations and diseases very prevalent in the population."

Passing of the Corset.

"The disappearance from the dress of girls of constricting devices, such as corsets and garters, has had a very great effect in improving both physique and health. The disease of chlorosis or green sickness, a malady most incident to maids, has practically disappeared with the corset, although within the memory of the present generation it was rife. Long skirts trailing in the mire are a mere memory."

There are interesting references to influenza in the report, suggesting that epidemics will be forecasted much as anti-cyclones are now.

Mr. Spear, of the Public Health Department, said a year ago that the week in 1925 in which the maximum influenza mortality was to be expected was the eleventh week of the year. This forecast was within three weeks of the actual time of the maximum.

(Continued on next Column.)

NATIONAL BABY WEEK.

CHALLENGE SHIELD FOR OVER- SEAS COMPETITORS.

The National Baby Week Council forwards particulars of the Imperial Baby Week Challenge Shield competition.

The Baby Week movement is a propaganda movement which is gaining ground throughout the whole Empire, and in offering a handsome Challenge Shield for the best Baby held throughout the Empire (exclusive of the British Isles) the Council hopes to stimulate still further this form of propaganda.

Very successful baby shows have been held in Singapore and other Malayan centres, and no doubt the organisers will think it desirable to compete for the shield.

A Baby Week Committee may be formed by a municipal or voluntary body for the purpose of organising a Baby Week in any geographical administrative area within the British Empire, exclusive of the British Isles.

Any Baby Week Committee so formed is eligible to compete for the Imperial Baby Week Challenge Shield.

A Baby Week Campaign, which must be announced as such and which may or may not, according to the discretion of the competing committee, be combined with a Health Week, must be held between June 1st, 1926, and such time as will enable the records to be transmitted to, and received by, the National Baby Week Council Office in London, on or before June 1st, 1927.—*Straits Times*.

There appears to be a law governing the interval separating successive influenza "waves," which enables the preparation of a fairly accurate forecast. Records of the weekly mortality in London for the past thirty-six years show that the greatest number of deaths occurs about the sixth or seventh week of the year, and that the minimum mortality is about the 25th or 26th week.

Since 1899 there have been 39 prevalences or epidemics of influenza in London, and of these only three could not have been forecasted.

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HOCKEY CLUB.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

PROSPECTS OF THE SEASON.

The annual general meeting of the Hongkong Hockey Club was held at Volunteer Headquarters yesterday evening, when Mr. B. D. Evans presided. A resolution on the agenda was to the effect that the entrance fee for new members should be \$10 and annual subscription \$7.

Mr. Mitchell said that since the Club started after the war, they had a poor ground at Happy Valley. They later went to the U.S.R.C., Kowloon, but they had absolutely to depend on the Services regarding using the ground. They had now secured the ground at King's Park, and the services of a groundsman had been secured for \$240 a year. They hoped some day to have their own pavilion and matchbox there. After a time some of their old hockey players ceased playing, but they do not want to leave the Club altogether. He suggested that these members should be retained, on paying a subscription fee of \$3. He proposed the resolution on the agenda and suggested that his proposal in regard to old members should be added to it.

One member felt that a total fee of \$17 for a new member was too much. He did not think that they would secure many new members in that way.

SMALL BALANCE.

In response to a question regarding the finances by another member, the honorary treasurer detailed the expenditure for the year. The annual dinner, he said, proved to be an expensive item. It cost \$114.52 and the receipts were only \$65.50. The ground had cost \$174.20. There was a balance of \$12.74 only.

Replying to the chairman, the treasurer said that \$231.88 was brought forward last year.

The proposal made by Mr. Mitchell was seconded by Mr. Owen Hughes. An amendment that the total fee should only be \$10 was proposed and seconded. The seconded remarked that they had little to offer a new member at present.

The original proposal was carried.

OFFICIALS.

The following officials were elected for the following season:—President (Lieut.-Col. Bird, D.S.O.), Hon. Secretary (Mr. T. P. Sanderson), Hon. Treasurer (Mr. Duncan), Captain of 1st Team (Mr. Mitchell), Committee Groundsmen (Mr. B. D. Evans), Captain of 2nd XI (Mr. Wedlake), Captain of A Team (Mr. Sanderson).

HONGKONG FOOTBALL CLUB.

ANNUAL REPORT AND STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS.

CLUB AND LEAGUE MEETINGS THIS WEEK.

There will be two meetings in connection with local football this week, and both chance to fall on the same day and at the same time. One is the annual meeting of the Hongkong Football Club and the other a meeting of the League. The Hongkong Football Club meeting takes place on Friday at 5.30 p.m. in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., and according to the agenda, the business is (1) to pass the annual report and statement of accounts; (2) election of officers, i.e., Secretary, Treasurer and Committee; (3) to consider any other business in the interest of the Club.

The Report.

The 30th annual report for the season 1925-26 states that 32 new members have joined the Club during the past season, while several have resigned. The total membership of the Club at present is 312.

The Soccer Section had a very pleasant season, three members of the team went to Shanghai in connection with the Inter-port game with Shanghai, which Shanghai won by four goals to three.

In connection with the Rugby Section it is stated that a successful season culminated in the Club winning the Rugby Challenge Cup from the Royal Navy, who have been holders for several years.

A Club team went to Shanghai acquitted themselves very well, just losing to the Shanghai Club by 6-3 points.

Owing to lack of support from members this year no annual dinner or dance was held, but the Rugby Section held a small dinner at Volunteer Headquarters, which proved a great success.

The Committee regret to record the deaths of Mr. T. A. Barclay, Sir Paul Chater, Mr. P. E. Holyoake, Mr. A. W. Hoy and Mr. H. H. Taylor.

The Accounts.

The statement of income and expenditure from August 11th, 1925, to June 30th, 1926, shows that expenditure came to \$1,341, of which the Rugby Interport expenses absorbed \$1,030. Incidental expenses came to \$634, and the upkeep of Club House, Ground and Gear, etc., to \$2,679. On the income side entrance fees amounted to \$223, subscriptions to \$1,333 and stand receipts, after deducting part receipts to other clubs and collections' fees, came to \$1,407, an increase of nearly \$300 on the previous season. The income from entrance fees and subscriptions showed a slight drop, compared with the previous season. The expenditure generally showed increases on every item. The income from the 1924-25 and 1925-26 accounts yielded \$450 and interest on War Loan, fixed deposit account and current account brought in \$253. The accounts show a balance being excess of expenditure over income of \$651.

The League Meeting.

As mentioned above, there will be a meeting of the Hongkong Football League held the same evening and at the same time. The meeting, which is a special one, the annual League meeting having been held recently, will take place in the Lecture Room of Volunteer Headquarters.

The principal business of the meeting is to elect a Hon. Secretary in place of Sergeant-Major A. C. Godwin, R.A., who recently elected to the post now has to vacate it as he is shortly leaving the Colony for Home.

Arrangements for the coming season are also to be made at this meeting. Affiliated Clubs are reminded that their entrance fee of \$20 per team should be sent to Sergeant-Major Godwin at the R.A. Sergeants' Mess, Victoria Barracks, by Thursday of this week.

SOLUTION OF SATURDAY'S PUZZLE.

INVERT APPENDIX
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BOARD OF CONSERVANCY WORKS OF KWANGTUNG.

Water-levels (in English Feet) at 8 a.m.

Place of Observation.	Highest W. Level recorded.	Lowest W. Level recorded.	1926	
			W.L. Sept. 4	W.L. Sept. 5
West River at Shing-shing	+41.0	0	+35.2	+25.9
North River at Tung-nan	+23.7	0	+6.2	+6.4
North River at Sam-shui	+27.3	-5.0	+14.85	+15.56
East River at Shik-lung	+15.3	-3	+1.3	+1.6

RUGBY.

COMMENCING THURSDAY, 9TH INSTANT, and until Further Notice, there will be a RUGBY PRACTICE Every TUESDAY and THURSDAY on the King's Park Ground, Kowloon.
All Members desirous of Playing during the Coming Season should Turn Up at These Practice.

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hongkong Observatory, September 6th.

	Previous Day at 2 p.m.	On 6 a.m.	On Date at 2 p.m.
Barometer ...	29.50	29.91	29.84
Temperature ...	87	81	86
Humidity ...	81	81	86
Wind Direction ...	W	Calm	SSE
Force ...	2	C	3
Weather ...	1	C	U
Rain ...	0.12	0.00	0.00

Highest open-air Temperature on 5th ... 89
Lowest open-air Temperature on 6th ... 80

B=Blue sky; C=Cloudy; D=Drizzle; F=Fog; L=Lightning; M=Mist; O=Overcast; P=Passing showers; Q=Squalls; R=Rain; T=Thunder

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From September 7th to 13th, 1926.

Days of Week	Days of Month	HIGH WATER		LOW WATER	
		H'kong. Standard Time.	Height.	H'kong. Standard Time.	Height.
Tues.	7	h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
		9 35	7 0	3 56	3 3
Wed.	8	10 30	5 1	4 1	1 5
		9 55	8 9	3 33	3 0
Thurs.	9	10 23	6 3	4 29	1 6
		10 56	5 5	4 38	1 9
Fri.	10	10 53	6 5	4 46	2 7
		11 18	5 8	5 27	2 8
Satur.	11	11 28	6 1	5 24	2 7
		11 44	5 3	5 35	2 7
Sun.	12	0 12	5 5	6 1	3 1
				6 21	3 1
Mon.	13	0 15	6 0	6 58	3 5
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HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

THE Steamship "OLDENBURG" having arrived, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby notified that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence, and/or from the Wharves, Delivery can be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godown and all Goods remaining undelivered after 11th September, 1926, will be subject to Rent.

All Claims must reach us by 13th September 1926, or they will not be recognised.

All damaged Packages will be examined by Messrs. Goddard and Douglas (Marine Surveyors) at 10 a.m. on the 10th September, 1926.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by J. JENSEN & Co., Agents, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 6th September, 1926. [3929]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer "TELANON" are hereby notified that the Cargo will be discharged into Hols' Wharf, Kowloon, where it will be at Consignees' risk and subject to Terms and Conditions of Storage at Hols' Wharf. The Cargo will be ready for Delivery from Godown on and after 4th September.

Optional Cargo will not be landed here, unless Notice has been given prior to Steamer's arrival, but carried on from port to port to the final port of call to which the option extends.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and Noon within the Free Storage period.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 10th September will be subject to Rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 24th September, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 3rd September, 1926. [3924]

S.S. "ANGERS."

SERVICES CONTRACTUELS DES
MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from MARSEILLE, S.S. "ANGERS" in connection with above Steamer are hereby informed that their Goods with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, whence Delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before 6 a.m. To-day, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Underwriter. Goods remaining undelivered after Tuesday, the 7th instant, at Noon, will be subject to Rent and Landing Charges.

All Claims must be sent in to me on or before Friday, the 10th inst., or they will not be recognised.

All damaged Packages will be examined on Tuesday the 7th instant, at 10 a.m., by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. J. LIMAGE, Agent.

Hongkong, 1st September, 1926. [3938]

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HONGKONG SHIPPING.

SLIGHT INCREASE IN HONGKONG
CARGO.

DROP IN OTHER FREIGHTS.

While Hongkong cargo registered a slight increase, freights for ports beyond were, shown by yesterday's shipping statement to have suffered a big decrease on the figures for the previous twenty-four hours. This was due to the fact that only six out of the thirteen arrivals carried any and that there were no particularly heavy entries, such as over ten thousand tons; although there was one of over six thousand and one of three thousand tons. British vessels figured well as regarded the cargo for Hongkong, and with one ship bringing a four figure consignment of coal, British steamers carried two-thirds of the cargo for this port. All arrivals brought freight.

TONNAGE AND NATIONALITIES.

The tonnage figures were as under:—
Total: 24,652 tons; British vessels: 10,682 tons; Other vessels: 13,970 tons.

At 9 a.m. yesterday there were 54 vessels in the harbour, of which 23 were British. During the previous twenty-four hours thirteen vessels arrived, viz., five British, one American, one French, one Dutch, one German, one Japanese and three Chinese. The departures during the same period came to six, viz., one Dutch for Manila, one Chinese for Haohoi, one Chinese for Sha U Chung, one American for Manila, one Japanese for Swatow and one German for Shanghai. Clearances numbered two, viz., one Japanese steamer for Keelung and one Chinese steamer for Kwang Chow Wan.

CARGO ENTERED.

(For the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday.)

For Hongkong 7,406 tons.

For ports beyond 12,300 "

Total 19,706 "

(For the previous 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. on Sunday.)

For Hongkong 7,111 tons.

For ports beyond 35,719 "

Total 42,830 "

Of the cargo for Hongkong, British vessels brought 5,222 tons, including one return of 3,216 tons of coal. Of the 2,184 tons in eight other vessels, the highest return was 700 tons. With regard to freight for ports beyond, two British vessels carried 1,368 tons and four vessels of other flags carried the remaining 10,632 tons. The best returns were 6,369 tons and 3,000 tons.

THE ARRIVALS

The arrivals for the twenty-four hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday were as under:—

Takada (British) from Kobe and Amoy, with 310 tons of general cargo and safety matches and 864 tons of general cargo for ports beyond;

Kwai Sang (British) from Hongkong with 3,216 tons of coal;

St. Albans (British) from Sydney and Manila with 634 tons of general cargo and 504 tons for ports beyond;

Fooching (British) from Shanghai and Foochow with 781 tons of general cargo;

Hai Yang (British) from Foochow and Amoy with 300 tons of tea and general cargo;

West Ivan (British) from Cebu and Manila with 100 tons of general cargo and 3,000 tons for ports beyond;

Jade (French) from Kwang Chow Wan with 300 tons of general cargo;

Van Overstraten (Dutch) from Belawan, Deli and Singapore with 700 tons of general cargo and 100 tons for ports beyond;

Albert Vogler (German) from Hamburg and Singapore with 241 tons of general cargo and 6,399 tons for ports beyond;

Sydney Maru (Japanese) from Nagoya and Moji with 640 tons of general cargo and 1,433 tons for ports beyond;

Teli (Chinese) from Foochow and Amoy with 300 tons of general cargo and wood;

Sui Fik (Chinese) from Sha U Chung with 1½ tons of general cargo;

Tak Hing (Chinese) from Nam Tau with 1½ tons of vegetables.

LATER ARRIVALS.

Later arrivals, too late for inclusion in the above return, were as under:—

Kwongtung (British) from Sourabaya and Pasuruan with 2,531 tons of sugar;

Tasaluon (British) from San Pedro with liquid fuel;

Java Arrow (American) from San Pedro and Sourabaya with a nil entry.

MAILS.

Mails brought during Saturday, Sunday and yesterday morning were as under:—

Teau, from Haiphong and Hoihow, 21 bags; *Borneo*, from Haiphong, one bag; *Chinhua*, from Bangkok and Kohsi-chang, two bags; *President Grant*, from Seattle and Shanghai, 613 bags; *West Kauler*, from Portland (Oregon), eight bags; *Kohlen Maru*, from Foochow and Swatow, 25 bags; *Haruna Maru*, from Rotterdam and Singapore, 45 bags; *Takito Maru*, from Yokohama and Manila, six bags; *Zoemo*, from Kobe and Foochow, three bags; *Tjisaroea*, from Sourabaya and Batavia, 46 bags (31 for Hongkong, and 15 for Shanghai); *Oldenburg*, from Hamburg and Singapore, 20 bags; *Takada*, from Kobe and Amoy, unspecified; *St. Albans*, from Australia and Manila, 77 bags; *Fooching*, from Shanghai and Foochow, 168 bags; *Hai Yang*, from Foochow and Amoy, 14 bags; *Van Overstraten*, from Belawan, Deli and Singapore, unspecified; *Albert Vogler*, from Hamburg and Singapore, 28 bags.

PLANTERS AT DINNER.

ANNUAL U.S.P. GATHERING IN
LONDON.

Rubber-growers from the Federated Malay States, assembled at the third annual dinner of the Incorporated Society of Planters of Malaya, at New Prince's Restaurant, Piccadilly, were warm in the praises of the beneficial way in which the Stevenson scheme was working.

The Hon. Mr. R. C. M. Kindersley, late member of the Federal Council, who was accompanied by Mrs. Kindersley, presided, and in proposing the toast of the rubber industry said they met that night under happy circumstances, as the price of rubber was such as enabled the producing companies to market rubber at a profit. For that satisfactory position they had very largely to thank the introduction of the restriction, or, as he would rather have it, the control of output.

THE STEVENSON SCHEME.

Sir Frank Swettenham, replying to the toast, said if anybody was entitled to credit for rubber restriction it was the Rubber Growers' Association, for it was they who induced the Colonial Secretary to adopt the scheme of the committee over which Lord Stevenson presided. As soon as the scheme was adopted the machinery was, thanks to the preparatory work of Sir George Maxwell, put into operation within a week, "and," he added, "our American friends could not believe it."

As a result the rubber industry was helping to pay the enormous debt we owed to the United States, it was giving employment to many men, and it was enabling a good many British manufacturers to sell their goods at a profit.

SCHEME A GODSEND.

Mr. E. T. Campbell, M.P., who proposed the toast of the Society, mentioned that not long ago a body of rubber manufacturers went as a deputation to the Industrial Section of the House of Commons to ask them to persuade the Colonial Secretary to cut the Stevenson scheme altogether.

They complained that in all the American papers they could see in large letters: "We have been stung. Why are we paying so much for rubber? Blame England." Well, if America was being stung he could only say, "Thank God for that," because if they had not been stung this country would have been.

The Stevenson scheme was a godsend to the rubber industry.

SHIPPING NOTES.

The master of the s.s. *Takada* (British) from Kobe and Amoy, reported to the Harbour Office yesterday that a Chinese deck passenger died at sea on the 4th instant, from a cause unknown. The master of the s.s. *Van Overstraten* (Dutch) from Belawan, Deli and Singapore, also reported that three deaths among deck passengers had occurred on the way to Hongkong and that the bodies were buried at sea.

Dangerous goods manifested in yesterday's returns included three cases of sulphuric acid on the *Haruna Maru* from Rotterdam and Singapore; 38 drums of arrack for Hongkong on the s.s. *Tjisaroea* from Sourabaya and Batavia, and 23 drums of arrack for Shanghai; 600 tin boxes of safety matches on the *Takada* from Kobe and Amoy for Hongkong, and fifty cases for other ports; and 600 cases of safety matches on the s.s. *Sydney Maru* from Nagoya and Moji.

The total number of deck passengers entered for the twenty-four hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday was 3,112, of which the s.s. *Takada* (British) from Kobe and Amoy carried 1,577, and the s.s. *Van Overstraten* (Dutch) from Belawan, Deli and Singapore 1,385.

The Inspecting Ordnance Officer has notified the Harbour Office that about two tons of unserviceable army cordite will be burnt at Stonecutters Island tomorrow, and a similar quantity at the same place on Thursday morning (weather permitting).

In connection with the seizure of 450 tins of raw opium by detective officers on the *Empress of Canada*, prior to her departure for Vancouver last Friday, an order was made by Mr. J. H. B. Nihill at the Kowloon Magistracy for the confiscation of the drug, which was worth over \$1,000. No arrests were made in connection with the seizure.

The local office of the Osaka Shosen Kaisha will dispatch their steamer *Sydney Maru* to-day for her return trip to Calcutta via Singapore, Penang, and Rangoon, with cargo and few passengers.

From Amoy, the B.I. s.s. *Takada* arrived in port yesterday morning with passengers, cargo and mail. She will be despatched for Calcutta via Singapore and Colombo to-day at noon with the regular outward English mail, cargo and passengers.

The R.M.S. *Empress of Russia* is expected to arrive on port to-day at daylight from Vancouver via Japan and Shanghai. She will be despatched for her westbound trip to Manila on September 8th at 5 p.m.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

At Taikoo:—*Helena*, *Kohlen Maru*, *Ningpo*.

At Kowloon:—*Tai Tak*.

At Cosmopolitan:—*Lama*.

BUSMEN IN JAZZ JUMPERS.

POSSIBLE RESULT OF SEARCH
FOR BRIGHTER UNIFORMS.

L.G.O.C. DRESS PUZZLE.

It is possible that London's busmen will shortly forsake their sombre uniform of dark blue and white in favour of a costume a little more like that of comic opera.

The matter is under the review of a special committee of the L.G.O.C. who will discover whether new uniforms for drivers and conductors are essential.

Perhaps a man will ask for fares in a uniform like that of the Guards, or he may extend to the splendour of the uniform of a cinema attendant. All this depends on the taste of the L.G.O.C. "tailors."

Trinity House "Bags."

All sorts of extraordinary suggestions have been received by the company, and if some of them were adopted the bus conductor might be mistaken for a music-hall comedian.

One of the most notable has been suggested by an ex-sailor, who desires that the pilot of a ship should dress like the pilot of a ship. His design includes baggy trousers of blue and a loose jumper above it. The question of what cap he should wear is forgotten, but perhaps a sailor's cap bearing in gold "S.S. L.G.O.C." would be suitable.

It is not expected that the company will go to this extreme, although the suggestion is quite a serious one, but a radical change can be looked for. Whether the pirate buses will respond by clothing their conductors in pantaloons is not decided.

Why Change is Needed.

The reason for considering a change is that the company holds that there is no reason why uniforms should not be brighter and at the same time serviceable, and, moreover, it thinks that a change is looked for.

The general feeling on the matter is no doubt somewhat stimulated by a recollection of the General Strike, when the temporary drivers and conductors wore anything from plus fours and jazz jumpers to morning coats.

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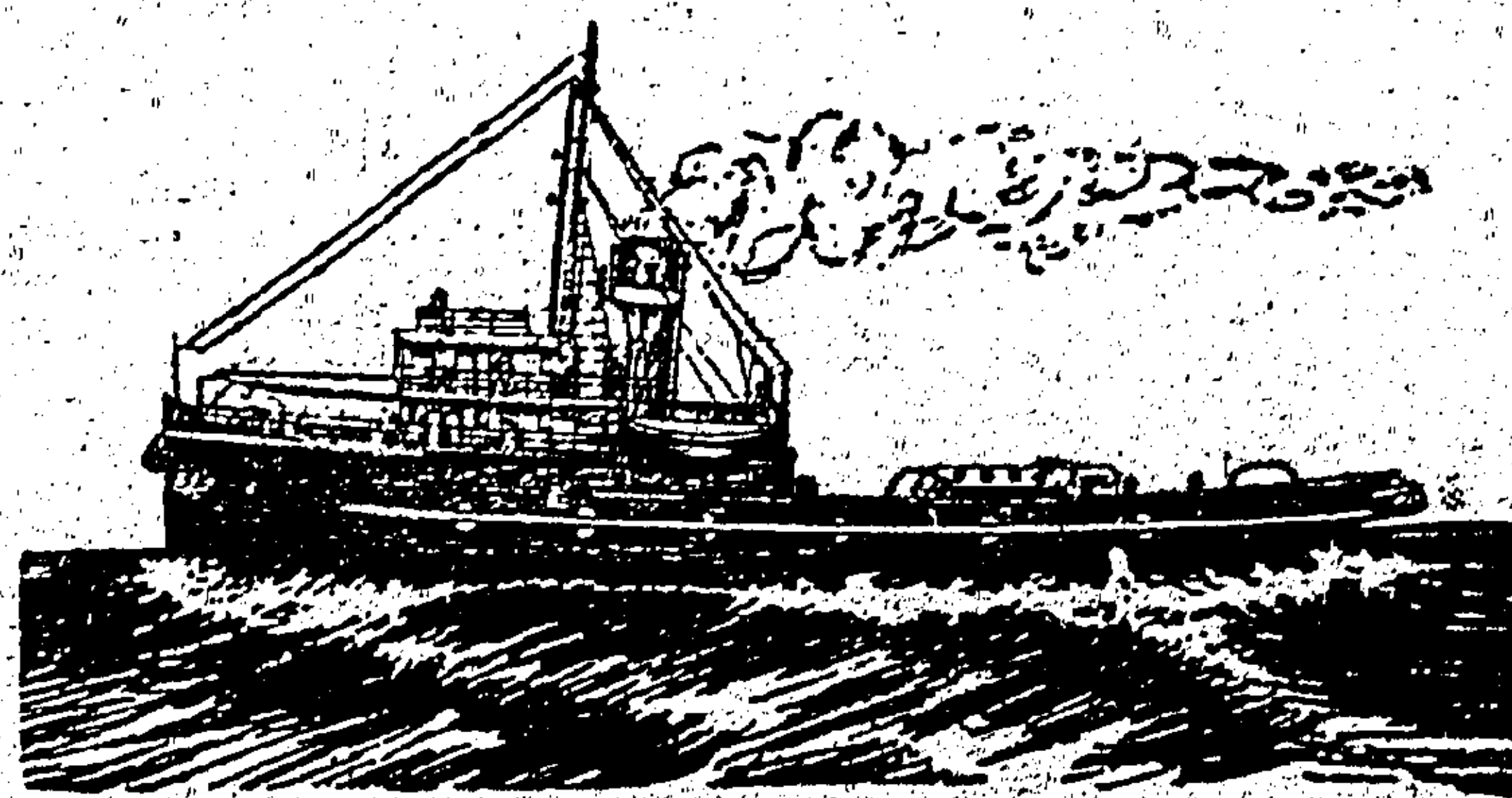
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"MALWA"	10,941	13th Sept., Noon	Marseilles & London.
"KIDDERPORE"	5,334	20th Sept.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"NELORE"	5,233	27th Sept.	Marseilles & London.
"KASHGAR"	9,005	3rd Oct.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"JEYPORE"	5,313	10th Oct.	Marseilles & London.
"MOBEA"	10,918	17th Oct.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"NYANZA"	7,023	24th Oct.	Marseilles & London.
"KHYBER"	9,114	31st Oct.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"MANTUA"	10,902	7th Nov.	Marseilles & London.
"DEVANHA"	8,155	14th Nov.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"KARNATA"	9,128	21st Nov.	Marseilles & London.
"NELORE"	5,334	28th Nov.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"MACDONIA"	11,120	5th Dec.	Marseilles & London.
"DELTA"	8,007	12th Dec.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"KHYBER"	9,114	19th Dec.	Marseilles & London.
"NYANZA"	7,023	26th Dec.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"MALWA"	10,941	2nd Jan.	Marseilles & London.
"KASHGAR"	9,005	9th Jan.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"MANTUA"	10,902	16th Jan.	Marseilles & London.
"MONGOLIA"	15,504	23rd Jan.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"MACDONIA"	11,120	30th Jan.	Marseilles & London.
"DEVANHA"	8,155	6th Feb.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"KARNATA"	9,128	13th Feb.	Marseilles & London.
"MALWA"	10,941	20th Feb.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"KHYBER"	9,114	27th Feb.	Marseilles & London.
"NYANZA"	7,023	6th Mar.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"MALWA"	10,941	13th Mar.	Marseilles & London.
"KASHGAR"	9,005	20th Mar.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"MANTUA"	10,902	27th Mar.	Marseilles & London.
"MONGOLIA"	15,504	4th Apr.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"MACDONIA"	11,120	11th Apr.	Marseilles & London.
"DEVANHA"	8,155	18th Apr.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"KARNATA"	9,128	25th Apr.	Marseilles & London.
"MALWA"	10,941	2nd May	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"KHYBER"	9,114	9th May	Marseilles & London.
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"TILAWA"	10,003	21st Sept.	do.
"TALAMBA"	9,018	28th Sept.	do.
"SHIRALA"	7,841	5th Oct.	do.
"TALMA"	10,003	12th Oct.	do.

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Steamship	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	1st Oct.	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	8th Oct.	do.
"TANDA"	6,958	15th Oct.	do.
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"MOBEA"	10,918	16th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"SHIRALA"	7,841	23rd Sept.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"TALMA"	10,003	30th Sept.	Kobe.
"NYANZA"	7,023	7th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"KHYBER"	9,114	14th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	21st Oct.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama.
"MANTUA"	10,902	28th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"MIRZAPUR"	6,715	4th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"KARNATA"	9,128	11th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"DEVANHA"	8,155	18th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
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"MANTUA"	10,902	17th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
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"MACDONIA"	11,120	10th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	17th Mar.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama.
"DEVANHA"	8,155	24th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"KARNATA"	9,128	31st Mar.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"MALWA"	10,941	7th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	14th Apr.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama.

All dates are approximate and subject to alteration without notice.
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 Round Trip Tickets will be issued from Hongkong to Foochow (Pescadore Anchorage) or vice versa, valid for the whole of the reduced rate of \$30.00 including meals while the steamer is in port.

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General Managers

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Steamship	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
AMOY & SINGAPORE	...	On 7th Sept.	Noon.
SINGAPORE	...	On 7th Sept.	Noon.
SHANGHAI	...	On 7th Sept.	8 a.m.
HAIKOW & HAIPHONG	...	On 7th Sept.	10 a.m.
WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOU & TIENTSIN	...	On 7th Sept.	10 a.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	...	On 9th Sept.	4 p.m.
BANGKOK	...	On 11th Sept.	4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	...	On 12th Sept.	8 a.m.
AMOY & SINGAPORE	...	On 12th Sept.	8 a.m.
HAIPHONG	...	On 12th Sept.	10 a.m.
AMOY & SHANGHAI	...	On 14th Sept.	8 a.m.
AMOY & SINGAPORE	...	On 14th Sept.	8 a.m.
SHANGHAI	...	On 15th Sept.	8 a.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	...	On 15th Sept.	8 a.m.
SHANGHAI	...	On 15th Sept.	8 a.m.
SHANGHAI	...	On 15th Sept.	8 a.m.
NINGPO, SHANGHAI & NEW WANG	...	On 20th Sept.	4 p.m.
AMOY & SINGAPORE	...	On 21st Sept.	8 a.m.

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STEAMER	DATE HONGKONG ON OR ABOUT	SAILING HENCE ON OR ABOUT
TAIPING	10th September	17th September
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TAIPING	8th November	17th November
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ARRIVALS FROM EUROPE:

S.S. "OUDERKERK" ... 20th September.
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SAILINGS FOR EUROPE:

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S.S. "ANTILLOCHUS" ... Via Suez Canal 10th September.
 S.S. "CITY OF EVANSVILLE" ... Via Suez Canal 24th September.
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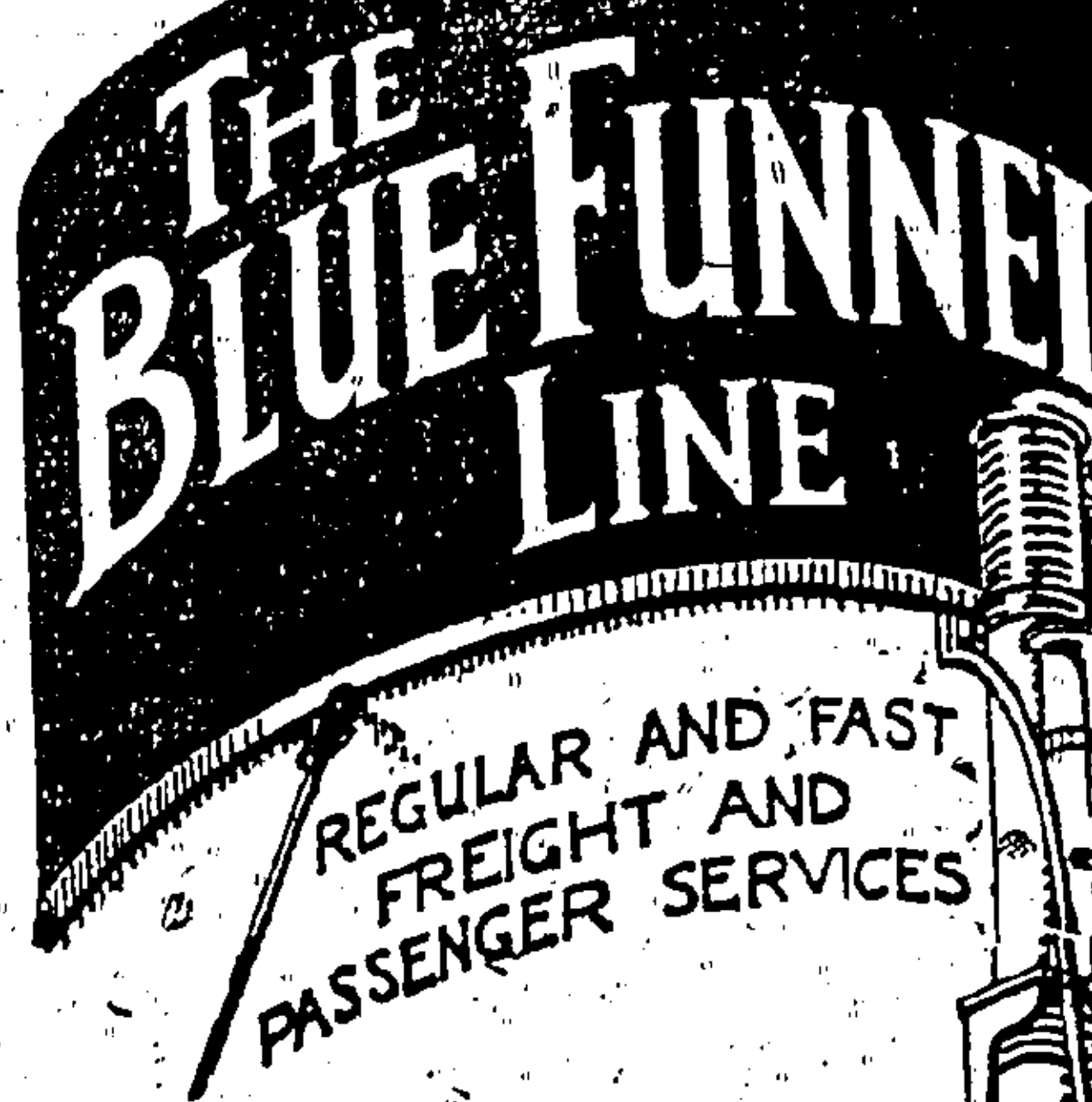
INWARD MAILS.

From	To	Day
SHANGHAI & EUROPE via SIBERIA	Chonan	7th Sept.
CANADA, U.S.A., JAPAN & SHANGHAI	Tsukuru	7th Sept.
STRAITS	Emp. of Russia	7th Sept.
SHANGHAI	Lansing	7th Sept.
MANILA	Barpedon	7th Sept.
AUSTRALIA AND MANILA	Pres. Pierce	10th Sept.
JAPAN	Taiping	10th Sept.
U.S.A., HONOLULU, JAPAN & SHANGHAI	Hakosaki Maru	11th Sept.
MANILA	Pres. Grant	12th Sept.
U.S.A., HONOLULU, JAPAN & SHANGHAI	Pres. Adams	13th Sept.
JAPAN AND SHANGHAI	Emp. of Russia	14th Sept.
U.S.A., CANADA, JAPAN & SHANGHAI	Pres. Madison	16th Sept.
U.S.A., HONOLULU, JAPAN & SHANGHAI	Asi Maru	17th Sept.
AUSTRALIA & MANILA	Kamo Maru	20th Sept.
STRAITS	Tango Maru	21st Sept.
JAPAN	Hakusan Maru	25th Sept.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	From	Day
Straits and Calcutta	Takada	Tuesday, 7th, 10.00 A.M.
Sandakan	Manusang	11.00 A.M.
Manila	Chinese Prince	10.30 A.M.
Amoy & Foochow	Haiyang	1.00 P.M.
Singapore	Phuon Penh	4.30 P.M.
Tourane	Jada	5.00 P.M.
Haiphong	Boraso	5.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Kolor Maru	Wednesday, 8th, 8.30 A.M.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & EUROPE via	Sarpedon	Reg. 9.45 A.M.
Marseilles—due Marseilles, 9th Oct.	Fooking	10.30 A.M.
Shanghai	Emp. of Russia	3.30 P.M.
Manila	Suaning	5.00 P.M.
Shanghai	Lansing	5.00 P.M.
Amoy		
Hohow and Haiphong	Tsun	Thursday, 9th, 8.30 A.M.
Batavia	Tsukuru	11.30 A.M.
Wei Hai Wei	Kanchow	2.30 P.M.
Shanghai	Chonan	Friday, 10th, 5.00 P.M.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U.S.A., U.S.A. & S. America & EUROPE via	Pres. Pierce	Saturday, 11th, 1.00 P.M.
San Francisco, 8th Oct. & EUROPE via		
Siberia (letters & postcards specially superimposed "Via Siberia" only)		
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & EUROPE via	Hakosaki Maru	Reg. 1.45 P.M.
Marseilles—due Marseilles, 10th Oct.	Kuangtung	2.30 P.M.
Bangkok	Kaying	5.00 P.M.
Amoy		
Haiphong	Chinhuu	Sunday, 12th, 8.30 A.M.
Straits & Calcutta	Kulsang	Monday, 13th, 1.00 P.M.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., U.S.A. & S. America & EUROPE via	Pres. Grant	Parcels Noon
San Francisco, 8th Oct. & EUROPE via		Reg. 2.45 P.M.
Siberia (letters & postcards specially superimposed "Via Siberia" only)		Letters 3.30 P.M.
Amoy	Kanchow	5.00 P.M.
Singapore, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & EUROPE via	Amoy	Tuesday, 14th, 1.45 P.M.
Marseilles—due Marseilles, 18th Oct.		Letters 2.30 P.M.

*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.



LONDON SERVICE.

"SARPEDON" 8th Sept. Mars, L'don, B'dam, & Glasgow.
 "HELENUS" 21st Sept. Mars, L'don, B'dam, & Hamburg.
 "CALOCHAS" 5th Oct. Mars, L'don, B'dam, & Hamburg.
 "PATROCLOS" 20th Oct. Mars, L'don, B'dam, & Glasgow.

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PACIFIC SERVICE.

(via KOBE & YOKOHAMA)
 "TALITHYBUS" 16th Sept. Victoria, Vancouver & Seattle.
 "PHILOTTES" 7th Oct. Victoria, Vancouver & Seattle.

NEW YORK SERVICE.

"ANTIOCHUS" 11th Sept. New York, Boston & Baltimore.
 "TRUCER" 22nd Oct. New York, Boston & Baltimore.

PASSENGER SERVICE.

"SARPEDON" 8th Sept. Singapore, Marseilles & London.
 "PATROCLOS" 20th Oct. Singapore, Marseilles & London.
 "ANTENOR" 17th Nov. Singapore, Marseilles & London.
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 Sterling\$4,500,000
 Silver\$27,000,000

Reserve Liability of Pro-prietors\$20,000,000

Head Office: HONGKONG.

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Hon. Mr. A. O. LANG, Deputy Chairman.

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Hongkong, 27th May, 1926. [25]

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For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, A. H. BARLOW, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 27th May, 1926. [2]

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 Paid-up CapitalFr. 68,400,000.00
 Reserve FundFr. 59,887,883.54

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Every description of Banking and Exchange Business transacted.

A. LECOT, Manager.

Hongkong, 20th March, 1924. [32]

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Head Office: HONGKONG, 10, Des Voeux Road Central.

Authorized Capital\$10,000,000
 Paid-up Capital5,000,000
 Reserve Fund1,200,000

BRANCHES AND AGENCIES:

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Kai Tong Po, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 22nd May, 1924.

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LOOK POON SHAN, Chief Manager.

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September 6th, 1926.

On LONDON:—

Telegraphic Transfer2 1/2

Bank Bills, on demand3/15/16

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Credits, at 4 months' sight2 1/2

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On SINGAPORE:—On demand104 1/2

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Hongkong, January 16th, 1926. [38]

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Authorized CapitalGulden 150,000,000

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Reserve Fund(26,666,670)

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